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Births.

JUDD.—August 24, Athelstane, Arncliffe, the wife of Harold A. Judd, of a son.

KNIGHT.—At 58 Glebe-road, the wife of A. A. Knight, of a son. Both doing well.

LITCHFIELD.—August 12, at Woodstock, Cooma, the wife of E. H. Litchfield, of a daughter.

MILLER.—August 23, at Egremont, Mosman, the wife of F. E. Miller, of a son.

POTTER.—August 23, at her residence, Bowman, Frenchstreet, Kogarah, the wife of James W. Potter—a son.

Marriages.

HEARTEL—GIBSON.—August 18, 1902, at Roselle, by the Rev. W. H. George, Christian Heartel, to Sarah Ann Gibson, nee Dargarville, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gibson, formerly of Araluen.

HUMPHREYS—ROGERS.—July 23, at Conregational Church, Pitt-street, by the Rev. E. Hutchinson, William Judson, fourth son of Mr. A. M. Humphreys, Barker's-road, Glenferrie, Melbourne (Vic.), to Nellie, second daughter of Mrs. E. Rogers, 9 Carrington-street, Glenferrie, Melbourne (Vic.).

THOMPSON—SIMPSON.—August 21, at St. Mark's, Darling Point, by the Rev. Willoughby Flower, M.A., J. Ashburton Thompson, to Lilian Simpson.

WAGNER—THITCHENER.—August 21, 1902, by the Rev. Dr. Rosehy, at Edinin, Newtown, Fredk. Francis, fourth son of Conrad Wagner, Esq., of Berlin, Germany, to Florence, young-st daughter of H. J. Thitchener, Esq., of Islington, London.

Deaths.

AUSTIN.—July 23, at Adelaide, Lilian Rope, beloved sister of A. H. and R. Y. Austin.

BARLOW.—June 14, 1902, at the hospital, Pretoria, South Africa, of pneumonia, Thomas Henry Barlow, late of Parkes, New South Wales, aged 47 years.

CLEMESHA.—August 24, at his residence, Lucy-street, Ashfield, Robert Benson Clemesha, dearly beloved husband of Sarah Clemesha, in his 60th year.

DAVIES.—August 23, 1902, at his residence, Llanillo, Trafalgar-street, Stanmore, Wyndham John Davies, eldest son of the late Captain John Davies, Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and of Mrs. Davies, Elgin Mansions, London W., England, aged 56 years. (Home papers please copy.

DOARE.—August 23, 1902, at her residence, Porterleigh, New Canterbury-road, Dulwich Hill, Isabella Hoare, relict of the late J. H. Doare, late of Riverdale, Illawarra-road, Marrickville.

WILLIAMS.—August 23, 1902, at her residence, 34 Ronstreet, Forest Lodge, Glebe, Jane, the beloved wife of the late George Williams, of the Glebe, and relict of the late William Wood, of Oxford-street, Sydney.

In Memoriam.

FREEMAN.—In loving memory of my little Evie, who died August 26, 1901. By her mother, A. Freeman.

MARTIN.—A token of remembrance of our dear friend, S. Martin, who passed away 20th August, 1901, at his residence, Mary Ann-street, Waterloo.

Good was his heart, and in friendship sound,
Patient in pain, and loved by all around.
His sins are o'er, his grief for ever done,
A life of everlasting joy he's now begun.

—erted by a friend, J. Leonard.

MORTON.—In loving memory of our darling daughter, Florence May (Tissie), who departed this life August 25, 1900. Inserted by her loving parents, David and Carrie Morton.

POWER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Catherine Power, who died at Balmain, August 26, 1901. R.I.P. Inserted by her daughters, Mrs. Hannah Barrett, Mary and Agnes.

POWER.—In loving memory of our beloved mother, Catherine Power, who died at Balmain, August 26, 1901. R.I.P. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, Edward J. and Emily Power.

POWER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Catherine Power, who died at Balmain, August 26, 1901. R.I.P. Inserted by her sons, John, Patrick, and William.

ROLESFORD.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Louisa, who died suddenly August 26, 1888, aged 39 years; also Minnie, daughter of the above, who died January 25, 1900, aged 19 years. Inserted by her loving daughters and sisters, Ada, Lucy, Lillie, Priscilla, and Louie.

SILWYN.—In loving memory of my dear husband, Alfred, who departed this life August 26, 1901, aged 29 years, also Harold, infant son of above, who died October 30, 1900, aged 7 months. Inserted by their loving wife and mother.

WEEKS.—In sad and loving memory of my dear father, James Weeks, aged 77, who departed this life on the 26th August, 1901. Inserted by his loving daughter, Mary H. Garrick.

Return Thanks.

Mrs. SLOIS desires to return her heartfelt THANKS to all friends for their kind acts of sympathy in her late and bereavement.

Mrs. BRISTOW, Jun., and Mrs. G. TOLLIS desire to return THANKS for the tokens of sympathy shown to them in their late and bereavement of their infant and niece, Dorothy.

MRS. CLIVE COUGHTON GILES tenders her sincere and heartfelt THANKS to her kind friends and relations; also to Dr. O'Hara for his untiring attention to her late husband during his illness; also to the employees for their sympathy, letters, and telegrams of condolence and floral tributes in her late and bereavement.

ROBERT WALL and FAMILY beg to tender their sincere GRATITUDE to all their numerous friends for their messages of sympathy, telegrams, cards, and floral tributes received in their recent and bereavement; also to Miss Turtle, who so naturally nursed a good wife and a loving mother during her long illness.

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		1902.	1902.	1902.
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Armand Behic.	Le Coispellier	Sept. 29	October 2	Oct. 4
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			1902.
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CHINA ...	7912	T. S. Angus ...	Sept. 20
ROME ...	8545	E. Street ...	Oct. 4
ARCADIA ...	8679	F. C. A. Lyon, R.N.R.	Oct. 18
INDIA ...	7911	C. Gadd ...	Nov. 1
OCEANA ...	6093	...	Nov. 15
AUSTRALIA ...	6901	F. J. Cole ...	Nov. 29
VICTORIA ...	6327	E. Crews ...	Dec. 13

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OLDENBURG ...	5,000	H. Formes ...	Oct. 18	Oct. 25
*RHEIN ...	10,058	O. Rott ...	Nov. 8	Nov. 15
*BARBAROSSA ...	10,810	F. Menta ...	Nov. 29	Dec. 6
*KONIGIN LOUISE ...	10,711	O. Volger ...	Dec. 20	Dec. 27
*G. KURFURST ...	13,182	Reimkasten ...	Jan. 10	Jan. 17
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ORUBA ...	6857	W. H. Burgoin	Sept. 13	Sept. 16	Sept. 18
AUSTRAL ...	5094	C. Nicholson	Sept. 27	Sept. 30	Oct. 2
*OPHIR ...	6946	F. W. Kershaw	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 16
*OMRAH ...	8291	S. Symons ...	Oct. 25	Oct. 28	Oct. 30

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ANNIE HOGGARTY, late of Thornley-street, Leichhardt, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Widow of the late JAMES HOGGARTY, of the same place, deceased.—Pursuant to the Wills, Probate, and Administration Act, 1898, NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any debts, claims, or demands upon or affecting the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Leichhardt aforesaid on the 25th day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one, and Probate of whose Will was on the sixth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and one, granted to JOHN HOGGARTY and ALEXANDER MORRISON, the Executors named therein, are hereby required to send in full particulars of their debts, claims, or demands to the Executors, care of the undersigned, on or before the seventh day of October next, at the expiration of which time the Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among those persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the debts and claims of which they shall then have notice, and the Executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose debts or claims they shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this twenty-second day of August, 1902. JONES and JONES, Proctors for the Executors, 39 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of FLORA ANN IRELAND, late of Ultimo, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANN CAMERON, wife of DUNCAN CAMERON, of Woodford Leigh, Farmer, the Sister of the said deceased ; and all affidavits may be served at the office of the undersigned. ALEXANDER M'CALLUM LOBBAN, Proctor for the Applicant, Victoria-street, Grafton. By his Agent, GILBERT CURTIS MURDOCH, 146 Phillip-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ALEXANDER HEYLIN, late of King's Plains, in the State of New South Wales, a Retired Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM HENRY MARRIOTT, the sole Executor, according to the tenor thereof named in the said Will, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. THOMAS GREEN, Proctor for the Executor, Millthorpe. By his Agent, DAVID M. MYERS, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, and in the Matter of THE COMMERCIAL BANK OF AUSTRALIA, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Order of the supreme Court, dated the 20th day of August, 1902, confirming the reduction of the capital of the abovenamed Company from £4,800,000 to £3,160,000, and the Minute (approved by the Court) showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered, the several particulars required by the above Acts were registered with the Registrar-General of the State of Victoria on the 22nd day of August, 1902. And further take Notice that the said Minute is in the words and figures following :—

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8.5.—" The Lady's Maid " (Miss Lillian Digges).
8.10.—A Pony from o'er the Sea " (Miss Lily Evans).
8.15.—" My Sir Little Pong " (Mr. Frank Pierce).
8.25.—" Nice to be a Boy " (Miss Rose Musgrove).
8.41.—Duet, " A.B.C." (Mr. Crane and Miss Musgrove).
8.46.—Quartette, " Pyaka Pong " (Mr. Graham, Miss Digges, Miss Evans, and Mr. Money).
8.53.—" Love from Lotus Land " (Mr. Crane).
9.0.—" Ladi-da " (Mr. Graham).
9.11.—Duet, " Samee Samee " (Mr. Graham and Miss Digges).
9.18.—Finale.

ACT II.

9.34.—Chorus, " We're the Cream of Courtly Creatures."
9.44.—" Little bit of Fun " (Miss Musgrove).
9.49.—" Ms Gettee out quick " (Mr. Graham). The Emperor (Mr. Troode) arrives.
9.55.—" Sextet and Dance " (Six Little Wives).
10.1.—" Rhoda " (Miss Digges).
10.6.—" March of the Amazons."
10.12.—" Somebody " (Miss Musgrove).
10.16.—" Yes Seal " (Miss Borthwick).
10.21.—" Introduce it into China " (Mr. Pierce).
10.29.—" Gipsy Duet " (Mr. Graham and Miss Digges).
10.33.—" Back to London."
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THE SECRET OF GUERILLA WARFARE.

WILL THE BOERS FIGHT AGAIN?

INTERVIEW WITH BOTHA'S STAFF OFFICER.

(BY THE REV. JAMES GREEN, CHAPLAIN TO THE COMMONWEALTH TROOPS.)

CAPETOWN, July 29.

It was difficult to get hotel accommodation at Capetown. The town is full of British and Boer officers, both returning home. Many of the Boers are from St. Helena, others from the field are here to meet friends, and so I found myself sharing a room with Louis Botha's chief staff officer, H. H. Fraser, and ex-Commandant Bouer, in a Capetown hotel So far as I had seen in the Transvaal the Boers were admittedly well beaten and sick of war; but in Capetown and district I was amazed to discover more Dutch feeling than ever. This was the subject of our conversation. To Fraser I expressed my surprise.

"I am not surprised," said he. "Do you know I left Botha's staff a few months ago to come to Cape Colony with two companions, and when peace was declared I surrendered a commando of over 200 men in Calvinia in the colony."

"The colony must be your great stronghold," I remarked to the ex-commandant.

"Yes," he replied, "if only we had come down to the colony earlier the war would have had a different ending."

MADE TERMS FOR THE REBELS.

"Well, I hope that both Briton and Boer will work cordially together, and that this peace may be a final and friendly peace," I remarked.

He shook his head ominously, and said, "I hope so, too, but you know I am an Afrikander of the third generation, and though I was taught from my youth that an Englishman is the soul of honour I am beginning to doubt it. It is a fact," he continued, "that we made terms for the rebels. How could we surrender without securing those who had stood in with us? They were to be released, and yet thousands of them are still in prison. Remember, if there is any more war it will be different now. Afrikanders are more united than ever, and it will not be a 'hands up war'—it will be war to the death."

I reminded him that the peace terms did not provide for general and immediate release of rebels. None were to be shot: all were to be disfranchised for the present, and dealt with by their own local Courts, and it would be impolitic to open the doors for them all to go free without compliance with the laws which they had broken.

He could not gainsay the facts, but still shook his head, and asserted that he wanted peace; the Dutch would keep quiet, but there would be no peace whilst rebels were kept in prison.

"You have made a good fight of it and a grand surrender. Everybody admires the way you have come in and gone back to your work, and I hope nothing will disturb the good relations which seem possible. You fought to the last—"

"No," he interrupted me, "we didn't. We could have fought for other two years. We gave in for the sake of the women and children. Four thousand burghers were slain; but 20,000 women and children died in the concentration camps. That's why we surrendered."

"Of the 20,000 by far the majority were children carried away by epidemics, measles, &c."

He nodded assent.

"Are you always have a good deal of mortality amongst your children, and what would it have been if we had not cared for them in our camps?"

And then I continued: "You do not in your casualties reckon the mercenaries who fought and died for you—the Scandinavian and the Irish Brigades, the Americans, the Germans, and the French." Without pursuing this further we went on to refer to other things.

"I was told," I remarked, "by one of your leading men that you had not more than two months' supplies."

"Don't believe it," was the reply; "we can always get food."

THE BOERS AND THE BLOCKHOUSES.

"Then the blockhouse lines were getting too strong for you?"

"True, the blockhouse lines were a great hindrance, but we could always get through them."

"How?" I asked.

"We would station our riflemen to fire on the blockhouses to either side, then one man would ride hard at the entanglements and, dismounting, cut through them with wire-cutters. We would follow as quickly as possible, and though both men and horses would be scratched, and sometimes a few hit, we could get a commando through at any time."

"The man who went first would have to be a plucky fellow?"

"We were never short of brave men," he replied.

This led to the query, "Were all the stories true about the Boer leaders using the sjambok on their men?"

"Quite true," the ex-commandant replied, with a smile. "When the guerrilla war we broke up all our big commandos into small ones of about 150 men, with commandants and a corporal for every 10 to 15 burghers. When we were not fighting we were all on an equality and lived like a happy family, but when fighting began there must be authority and obedience. If I wanted to attract my weapons were a revolver and a sjambok. I led the men in, and it was the business of the Corporals to see that they came in. If a burgher hung back he got the sjambok. I suppose it was the disgrace of it that the Boer feared; and the weight of it," he rejoined. We flogged them as hard as we could."

"But a man who had to be sjamboked would not be much?nship," I said.

"Perhaps he was a bad shot and we needed him; but, as you say, in the long run these sort are not much good."

"An Australian wouldn't stand that, you know. If an officer with us flogged a man he might expect to be shot the next night."

"Nonsense," said the Boer, "human nature is the same. I would sjambok a man that did not go in if I were leading Australians. The men that need that sort of argument are in the minority, and if they threatened their leader the others would cut them into mincemeat. That's what we relied on. Your methods are not much different either. I declare on my honour, said Fraser, "that at Magersfontein, when your infantry were coming at us again and again, the British pom poms and maxims were playing on their rear."

"That may have been a mistake; mistakes like that do occur in the heat of battle."

"It was no mistake," he said, shrugging his shoulders, and lifting his hand and eyebrows in the Dutch way.

COURAGE OF THE BRITISH SOLDIER.

"Now what is your candid opinion of the courage of the British soldier?" said I.

"Well, no one compares with the infantry. If British infantry begin a job they go through with it, and their discipline is marvellous; they mounted men often yield to the temptation of having a horse and clear away."

"It was the same with us," he hastened to add. "If a Boer wants to fight he is hard to beat. To-day I might have 25 men and they would do wonders, to-morrow I might have 200, but they are not inclined for fighting, and it is no good leading them into it."

"Your commandos were often broken up?"

"That is the whole art of guerilla warfare. You have no idea what a lot of work you can get out of a few dozen marksmen. I used to hang on the flanks of your camps and columns, bothering them a lot, but when the day came that I was cornered and knew the price I would have to pay if I fought I would dismiss my men with the understanding that we were to meet again at a given time and place. Then another thing which we did was this. We fought a lot in some particular district, and then when all your columns got out after us we went right away and rested."

Commandant Fraser thinks that the greatest failure in regard to British and colonial mounted troops was their inability to look after their horses. "Just think of the stupidity of men watering their horses in ranks and sitting on their horses in the stream. With us the care of horses is an individual matter, and if there were a few minutes to spare a Boer would take the bit out of his horse's mouth and let it graze." They reckoned they could get 10 miles a day more action out of their horses than we could.

He thought that if they had had young men all through they would have done better. Delarey is the oldest commandant. He is a well-preserved wiry man of 54, Louis Botha is 34, De Wet is not 40. Many of the Boer commandants are from 22 to 30. Delarey's most brilliant lieutenant, Kemp, is only 26. Fraser himself is about 27 or 28, and Commandant Bouar, his companion, is not 30.

DEMONSTRATIVE PEOPLE.

In spite of ex-Commandant Fraser's fears I don't think the Boers will fight again. The people who are making a lot of noise in this district are the people who have not been in the field. The arrival of the Boer Generals has excited the Dutch. Wherever Delarey, Botha, and de Wet go crowds of admirers follow them. On Sunday at Rese-ctreet Dutch Reformed Church they were lifted on to a table so that the people might see them. Yesterday at Stellenbesch 60 college boys drew each carriage containing the Generals, who were visiting the Dutch college. To-day traffic had to be stopped on account of the crowds round the Great Kerk of the Dutch Reformed Church, where Miss Delarey was being married to Ferreira, Delarey's late Chief of Staff. No doubt the storm-centre has shifted down to Cape Colony, and there are many wise men who think Mr. Chamberlain has made his great mistake in not supporting the suspension of the Constitution, but after all the weakness is in ourselves. The present Ministry is weak and pliable. Sir Gordon Sprigg, though respected, is admitted by his admirers to be too fond of office and without outstanding strength. Everybody thinks of "Rhodes." "Oh, if Rhodes had been with us now," they say, "he would have been the strong man of the hour."

But perhaps the ma. of the hour is not far away, and there may be in the person of some unknown country politician a man of broad Imperial sentiments who can rule the English and at the same time manage the Dutch.

This much is certain, the Africander Bond is stronger than ever, but Sir W. Hely Hutchison and Lord Milner are wise men, and 75,000 troops are to be left in the country.

The trouble in Basutoland is over. It is not generally known that our troops have been ready for fighting there. Chief Joel has been pro-Boer throughout the war, and was indicted for high treason. The other chiefs stood loyal to us. Joel was arrested, and has been sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, and has had to give up 600 head of cattle, which is equivalent to a fine of £2500.

BRITISH NEW GUINEA.

INTER-TRIBAL FIGHT.

REPORT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR.

Some time ago the Federal Government received through the Imperial authorities a report respecting raids by the Tugeri natives upon the Sanana natives and other tribes friendly to the British and resident in British territory. The administrator of British New Guinea (Sir F. P. Winter) has forwarded a report on the subject to the Governor-General of the Commonwealth, in the course of which he states:—"Mr. Jisar in his telegram did not communicate the sequel to the attack by the Tugeri on the Sanana natives. Proceeding down the Morehead, after their raid on the Sanana villages, the Tugeri were encountered by a large hunting party of our natives, amongst whom were some Sanana men. This party at once attacked the Tugeri, killed several of them, and forced them to abandon their canoes and to take to flight in the bush. Hence the marauders have been punished. On my arrival here from Australia, I at once empowered Mr. Jisar to communicate direct with the Dutch authorities at Merauke respecting the Tugeri. If communications were between headquarters here and Merauke, great loss of time might be incurred. I think the matter can be left in the hands of the Magistrate. He has sufficient force to deal with the Tugeri. It may be assumed also that the Tugeri are not in the least eager to encounter our constabulary. When Sir William MacGregor attacked them in 1896, they practically offered no resistance to the attack. The last occasion that they encountered the constabulary was in the night flight on the Morehead in 1890, when they were completely beaten by half a dozen constables with no European officer in charge of them. I think myself that the Tugeri question has been forced into a prominence not warranted by facts. It has in some way grown to be assumed that they are exceptionally powerful and warlike, and that their modes of warfare are more ruthless than those of other natives, or in other words that they are the only natives who massacre without sparing.

"The first time that we came into contact with the Tugeri within the Possession was in 1892, some little time after the Government post at Mabudanan had been established. This station was then the most westerly point on the south coast of the possession at which there were human habitations. A war party of Tugeri reached the station one night and, judging by the number of footprints, made a close inspection of it. As everyone on the station was fast asleep they were not molested. Not only did they not venture to attack the place, but they were in such a hurry to get back in the direction of their own country that they left two of their canoes behind them. The news of their visit soon spread. Canoes full of armed natives, some from the neighbouring villages in New Guinea, and others from the island of Saibai, in Queensland waters, hastened to the station. All these natives begged the officer in charge to lead them in pursuit of the retreating Tugeri, and were dreadfully disappointed when he refused to go, or to sanction any pursuit. Mr. Jisar not long ago visited some new tribes inland from Boigu. They were fairly strong tribes. He found that the Tugeri had in times past travelled their raids as far as the territory of these tribes, but that the latter were not in the least afraid of them, and had repulsed them."

With regard to alleged ruthless massacres by the Tugeri Sir Francis Winter writes:—"The probabilities are that during the period that has elapsed since my arrival in this possession more natives have been ruthlessly massacred by other natives within a radius of 50 miles from the house in which I am now writing than have during such period been killed in this Possession by the Tugeri. In 1893 a village on the Laroki River, distant not more than six hours' walk from this house, was nearly exterminated. In 1894 a village, distant about 25 miles from this house, and only a few miles from the sea, was attacked, and 40 men, women, and children killed. There must have been at least a dozen more minor massacres during the same period, and within the same radius. Nor has the tract of country I speak of had an exceptional history. Massacres have been common enough all over the country; and I have no doubt are even now common enough in those portions of British New Guinea that we are still unacquainted with."

PERSONAL ITEMS.

ILLNESS OF JUDGE HEYDON.

Our Armidale correspondent telegraphed yesterday that Judge Heydon, who was presiding at the sittings of the District Court in Armidale, has seriously ill at the Imperial Hotel. A trained nurse arrived from Sydney yesterday morning to attend Judge Heydon.

FUNERAL OF MR. W. J. DAVIES.

The remains of the late Mr. Wyndham John Davies, Superintendent of Mails and Chief Inspector of the Postal Department in New South Wales, were interred in the Waverley Cemetery yesterday. There was a large concourse of persons around the grave and in the procession. Over 200 officials from the various departments in the post and telegraph and money order offices were present to pay the last tribute of respect to their late chief. The Rev. T. Druce officiated, and a service at Lamilo, Parramatta-road, was conducted by the Rev. Canon Stanmore, shortly before 2 p.m. The procession then left for Waverley, and was met by a large gathering of persons who had assembled around the gates. The principal mourners were the deceased's sons, Messrs. Harry, Edgar, W. J. E. and A. Davies. The others present included Mr. J. Dalgarno (Deputy Postmaster-General), Mr. J. A. Doak (Comptroller Money Order Office), Mr. W. Wilson (manager of telegraphs), Mr. L. Bossley (chief inspector), Mr. R. L. De Courcey Russell (clerk in charge irregularly branch), Mr. A. H. Bray Grand Secretary (representing the Grand Lodge of Freemasons, New South Wales), Inspectors A. Burnett, W. F. Goulding, and E. H. Dumbleton, Mr. T. Wall (telegraph manager), Mr. H. Davies, Mr. R. R. Iredale (clerk in charge receiving-room), Mr. S. A. E. B. Gildor (detective department), Mr. E. Lloyd (Money Order Office), Mr. C. Bocking, Mr. Joseph Clarke (infant nurse), Mr. C. Leck, Messrs. W. Child, and H. Child (mudguards), Mr. S. Child (chief messenger), Mr. Hulme (recording clerk), Mr. A. Blackmore, Mr. D. Crane, Mr. A. Gardiner, Mr. Julius Caro, Mr. R. Thompson, Mr. J. Richardson (correspondence), Mr. N. Anderson, Mr. J. Fay, Mr. Stokes, Mr. J. Stokes, Mr. A. Clifford, Mr. G. Ord, Mr. H. Wheeler, Mr. J. G. Douglass, Mr. F. C. Williams, Mr. J. Kinida, Mr. J. Y. Nelson, Mr. J. S. Fitzmaurice (electrical engineer), Mr. A. Arndell, Mr. F. Hedges, Mr. H. Trumble, Mr. J. M'Namara, Mr. J. Fowler (in charge strongroom), Mr. E. Ramsay, Mr. J. News, Mr. J. Thompson, Mr. J. Green, Mr. H. C. Usher, Mr. C. Matthews, Mr. H. White, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Washington H. Soul, Mr. G. Barnett, Mr. Cox, Mr. J. Brown, Mr. A. Donnelly, Mr. J. M'Neilly, Mr. C. Brady, Mr. M. M'Donnell. Postmasters: A. Gale (Paddington), L. J. Coghlan (Hunter's Hill), — Wakely (Edgecliffe), — Gosbell (Kozarah), J. Kelly (King-street), A. Carroll (Cleveland-street), J. Lord (Canterbury-street), A. C. Atkinson (Petersham), G. Reid (North Sydney), G. Hosking (Manly), R. Edward (William-street), A. Melville (Balmain), Mr. R. S. Cannon, Mr. E. Mann, Mr. Overmeyer, Mr. J. G. Hinchcliffe, Mr. W. J. Talbott, Mr. H. Foiles, Mr. Quinsmire, Mr. J. J. Quinn, and Mr. D. Kean (letter-carriers), Mr. S. P. Dowsett, Mr. C. Clarke, Mr. H. Davies, Mr. W. J. Kenney. The Prince Alfred Lodge of Freemasons was represented by Wor. Bro. Hutchinson, W.M., Wor. Bro. C. J. Monaghan, J.P.M., and Bro. C. T. Poole, secretary. At the grave the service was conducted by the Rev. T. W. Dunn, who gave a brief address. The Rev. F. E. Harry offered prayer. Amongst the many floral tributes forwarded were those from Mr. Sam Hamilton (formerly Deputy Postmaster-General), the irregularity and missing branch, the account branch, parcel post, electric telegraph operating room, the office staff mail branch, the inspection branch, and St. Enoch's Church Choir. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. Wood and Co.

The Mayor of Hurstville (Alderman Hugh Patrick, J.P.) who represents the Hurstville Ward in the Hurstville Municipality, and who has only recently been elected to the Mayoralty owing to the resignation of the late Mayor (Alderman Fripp), has resigned his seat both as Mayor and alderman. His reason for doing so is that he considers that at the council meeting on Thursday night he was not properly supported by his party in regard to several matters which were brought before it. The council clerk (Mr. Knox) has conveued a special meeting for the election of a successor to Mr. Patrick.

THE DEPORTATION OF KANAKAS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As the federation is determined that the island labourers are in the course of a few years to be expelled from Queensland it might give them an alternative course to being forcibly replaced in their original locations with the modes of life in which a majority would be quite out of touch. It seems a more reasonable course that they should be given facilities to settle in the British colony of Fiji, which has large sugar plantations, where the skill acquired in the Queensland districts could be turned to advantage by the labourers. Fiji has to depend on outside labour in its plantations, and the introduction of so many kanakas from Australia would obviate the necessity of importing an equal number of coolies from India. Further, many coolies would have to be sent back when their term expired, whereas the kanakas could make Fiji their home.

I am, &c., J. A. H.

THE MOUNT KEMBLA DISASTER.

THE INQUEST.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

DEATHS OF MAJOR MACCABE AND DEPUTY M'MURRAY.

SCOPE OF THE INQUIRY.

OPINION OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

THE GREAT WASTE WORKINGS.

WERE BLACK AND FIRE DAMP PRESENT.

WOLLONGONG, Monday.

The adjourned inquest into the cause of the death of William Mourant and Henry Meurant, miners, and William Nelson, under-manager, by the explosion in the Mount Kembla Colliery, was continued to-day at the Court-house, Wollongong, before the District Coroner, Mr. C. C. Russell. Mr. Bruce Smith, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, represented the Crown, and was assisted by Mr. Wood, of the Crown Law Department. The relatives of the deceased miners, William and Henry Meurant, as well as the employees of the colliery, were represented by Mr. A. A. Lysaght and Mr. D Ritchie (miners' general secretary). Mr. C. G. Wade, instructed by Messrs. Curtis and Berry, appeared on behalf of the Mount Kembla Coal Mining Company. The proceedings on behalf of the police were watched by Senior-Sergeant Banks.

DEATHS OF HENRY OSBORNE MACCABE AND WILLIAM M'MURRAY.

The Coroner directed attention to the fact that a fortnight ago the inquiry into the cause of the death of Henry Osborne MacCabe and William M'Murray was postponed until August 25 so as to permit of the inquest on the bodies of William and Henry Meurant and William Nelson being proceeded with. He proposed to adjourn the inquest again until September, and if the present proceedings were consolidated then the inquests on the deaths of Major MacCabe and William M'Murray would be proceeded with.

THE SCOPE OF THE INQUIRY.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

The Coroner said: Acting under the suggestion made on Friday, I wrote to the Attorney-General with regard to the scope of the inquiry, and the probable appointment of a Royal Commission, and have received the following reply:—"The Minister desires to inform you that a Royal Commission will be appointed immediately upon the conclusion of the inquest to inquire into the cause of the disaster at Mount Kembla. Your inquiry should therefore be limited to the cause of death, and not anticipate the inquiry before the commission." I am most anxious to abide by the wish of the Attorney-General.

Mr. Bruce Smith said he thought they were all willing to shorten the inquiry as much as possible, and as representing the Crown he would be guided by the telegram. Whilst he recognised it was possible Mr. Lysaght and Mr. Ritchie might not be disposed to hurriedly circumstance themselves to any statement of their review of the case, he felt quite sure they would respond to any reasonable invitation to save the trouble of going into what might be called the scientific and abstract side of the question, because it would have no bearing on the deaths of the three men. It would be a great pity if the time of the jury was taken up in listening to theoretical and abstract learning on the subject of the explosion, especially when the whole of that aspect of the matter would be gone into by the Royal Commission.

Mr. Wade said he was the first to suggest that the inquiry could be shortened by leaving to the Royal Commission the task of inquiring into the cause of the accident. The company was exceedingly anxious that the accident should be sifted to the bottom.

Mr. Ritchie said that so far as he was concerned he was trying to ascertain the cause of the explosion, and to find out whether or not it was due to the neglect of any officer or other person in the mine.

The Coroner said that such a statement had been made by the mine journal in question it was absolutely wrong, as not one of the jury had said he would not enter the mine.

At this stage the Court adjourned to 10 a.m. to-morrow.

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At the annual meeting of the Master Carriers' Association last night the sum of £10 10s was voted to the Mount Kembla Relief Fund.

The Burwood collection for the Mount Kembla Relief Fund has reached the sum of £110.

COLLECTIONS IN THE COUNTRY.

ALBION PARK, Monday.

The Kembla Saturday collections made by the ladies of the Borough of Shellharbour were as follows:—Albion Park, £12 18s 6d; Shellharbour, £4 17s; total, £17 15s 6d.

COBAR, Monday.

Nearly £6 was raised by a dance given on Saturday night in aid of the Mount Kembla Fund.

MOUNT VICTORIA, Monday.

A concert and dance, kindly lent by Mrs. Jones, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the Mount Kembla Relief Fund, were held in the Mount Victoria Hall last Saturday night. The attendance was remarkably good, and a satisfactory amount was realised. An adaptation of Kipling's "Pay, Pay, Pay," was composed and sung by Mrs. H. G. Rienits, and caused many contributions.

THORNLEIGH, Monday.

At a concert held at the School of Arts on Wednesday evening in aid of the Mount Kembla Relief Fund, there was an attract

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Aramac, s., 2134 tons, Captain J. T. Simpson, from Melbourne. Passengers—Mesdames Bell and 3 children, Brokley, Hume and 4 children, Erasmi, W. Small, Foster and child, King, Douglass, F. Eames, Hodges, Hall, R. S. Edgar, the Misses Parkinson, Hovenden, Rice (2), Fisk, Cowper, Millis, Chalmers, Sergeant-major Rome, Messrs. Bell, T. Black, D. Dillon, Robinson, C. de Vercy Grant, P. J. Fitzgerald, B. Clark, Bromley, F. Moss, Cater, Long, Douglas, Cowper, F. Eames, Hodges, H. E. Seeley, T. W. Holmes, J. Martyn, H. S. Edgar, and 25 in the second cabin. Through passengers—Mesdames G. A. Gill and child, C. Cuthbert, the Misses Mumford and J. Pigdon, Messrs. A. M. Russell, Colonel, J. Pigdon, and 19 in the second cabin. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Ramornie, s., 600 tons, Captain B Alley, from Richmond River. Passengers—Mesdames Barrie, M'Pherson, Taylor, Raymond, Litchfield, Parmerton, Mark, Harrison, Misses M'Pherson, Brown, Fromus, Hunter, Barnes, Little, Masters Raymund, Stephens, Messrs. Charberry, Barrie, Stevens, Cusack, Stephens, Shields, Short, Leverak, Bland, H. M'Pherson, H. M'Pherson, Evans, Huntley, Richardson, Brown, Russell, Harvey, Nanken, Burke, Rooney, Ryan, Bond, Jones, Jeffreys, Winfield, M. M'Calman, J. M'Calman, Thistlewaight, Gray. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Kalgoorlie, s., 2961 tons, Captain Hector M'Donald, from Fremantle, via Adelaide and Melbourne. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Wedge, Miss F. Cameron, Mrs. Small and 3 children and maid, Mr. Small, Mr. and Mrs. Munton, Mr. Brache, Miss Brache, Messrs. G. Wright, L. Norton, W. O'Brien, J. Hogan, L. J. Thomson, J. Walton, T. Thomson, J. D. Patterson, H. Carstairs, W. Iddiston, O. Gopher, M. Pascoe, J. Carter, A. Ashbury, M. Lewis, and 80 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Burrawong, s., 991 tons, Captain R. Taplin, from Macleay River. Passengers—Mesdames Johnston, Wallace, Manager, Misses M'Kay, Tonge, Thorpe, Weeks, Earnsby, Lineage, Messrs Earngey, H. Smith, G. O. Dangar, J. K. Bennett, Pickney, Brothers, P. Toohey, H. Wallace, John Griffiths, R. Weeks and 7 in the steerage. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Cavanba, s., 978 tons, Captain J. H. Hunter, from Byron Bay and Coff's Harbour. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. G. Nicoll, Mr. and Mrs. Gillies, Mrs. Packerell and family, Misses Packerell and Bannister, Messrs. Lewins, M'Donald, Byron, Digman, L. Ellis, Cross, Francis, Williams, Hamilton, Bannister, Kennedy, also 6 in the second cabin. G. W. Nicoll, agent.

Glenora, s., 1382 tons, Captain Bear, from Devonport. A. Kethel, agent.

Ramona, s., 1425 tons, Captain Suffern, from Devonport. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Lord Hunter, barquentine, 284 tons, Captain Williams, from Kaipara. Saxton and Binns, agents.

Bangalay, s., 2099 tons, Captain Truscott, from Melbourne. G. S. Yuill and Co., agents.

Time, s., 2575 tons, Captain E. A. Downie, from Edithburg and Adelaide. Howard Smith Company, agents.

DEPARTURES.—August 25.

Afric, s., for London and Liverpool, via ports.

Ventura, R.M.S., for San Francisco, via Auckland.

Waikatea, s., for Newcastle, via Eden.

Ecuador, s., for Melbourne.

Scalandia, s., for Newcastle.

Barrier, s., for Newcastle.

Wandilla, s., for Calcutta, via Gladstone.

Oonah, s., for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—August 26.

Manuota, s., for Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga; Kaikoura, s., for West Australia, via Melbourne and Adelaide; Oonah, s., for Hobart; Cintra, s., for Melbourne; Bunyoung, s., for Brisbane; Aramac, s., for Queensland ports; Burrawong, s., for Queensland ports; Ramornie, s., for Richmond River; Burrowong, s., for Macleay River; Kyogle, s., for Clarence River; Defender, s., for Manning River and Bellinger River, via Newcastle; Macleay, s., for Port Macquarie; Hawkesbury, s., for Hawkesbury River; Wootton, s., for Camden Haven; Thistle, s., for Cape Hawke; Cavanba, s., for Byron Bay; Hastings, s., for Port Macquarie, Wauchope, Beechwood, and Hastings River; Coomonderry, s., for Nowra and Berry; Woy Woy, s., for Gosford and Wyong; Illawarra Company's steamer for Kiama, Shoalhaven; Newcastle Company's steamer for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—August 25.

R.M.S. Ventura, 2255 tons, Captain H. Hayward, for San Francisco, via Auckland and ports, with passengers as per list published yesterday, and the following additional passengers:—Mr. Neal M'Coy, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clise, Mr. W. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sumner, Mr. W. Sumner, Mr. R. Sumner, Miss May Sumner, Mr. Herbert Sumner, Miss L. Sumner, Miss Ivy Sumner, Miss Violet Sumner, Master Frank Sumner, Mr. H. Blitzner, Mr. W. von Winckler, Lieutenant G. von Arnim, Mr. E. Deetrick, Mr. A. H. Pittar.

Waikatea, s., 1945 tons, Captain M. Livingstone, for Launceston, via Eden. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. H. Abbott, Mesdames F. Grubb, Castray, Fraser, Misses Bolton, Lockley, Castray, H. Grubb, Scott-Orwell (2), Messrs. E. Allen, Dr. L. Ross, A. E. Williams, Southwell (2), Mons. de Bragueriment, and 8 in the steerage.

Oonah, s., 1297 tons, Captain H. A. G. Morrisby, for Hobart, via Newcastle, with part of original cargo.

Glaucus, s., 1393 tons, Captain J. W. Beer, for Melbourne, via Kembla, in ballast.

Moorabool, s., 2266 tons, Captain L. Thompson, for Adelaide, via Newcastle, with part of original cargo.

Bunda, s., 3303 tons, Captain M. England, for Calcutta, via Rockhampton and Townsville. Passengers—Mr. Smith, Barrier, s., 2036 tons, Captain Truscott, for Queensland ports, with part of original cargo.

Afric, s., 11,948 tons, Captain J. O. Carter, for Liverpool, via Capetown and ports, with passengers as published yesterday.

Kronprindessan Louise, barque, 606 tons, Captain M. A. Pedersen, for Jaluit (Marshall Islands).

Scalandia, s., 2771 tons, Captain W. J. Wyllie, for Auckland, via Newcastle, with part of original cargo.

IMPORTS.—August 25.

Strathoaro, barque, from New York, via ports: 145,250 superfine slates, 20 cases lubricating oil, 10 cases lubricating, 10 cases lubricating, 10 cases lubricating

SECOND EDITION.

THE AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN.

MATCH AGAINST MIDDLESEX.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

The weather is fine; but when play commenced in the match between the Australians and Middlesex at Lord's the wicket was uncertain.

Jones, Carter, and Saunders have been omitted from the Australian team, which therefore consists of Darling, Noble, Trumper, Duff, Hopkins, Gregory, Kelly, Trumble, Armstrong, Hill, and Howell.

The county team went first to the wickets, W. Douglas and Warner facing the Australian trundlers. The former when he had made 2 runs was given out leg before to Trumble. Warner had scored 16, and the score was therefore one wicket for 18.

Beldam filled the vacant crease, and his partnership with Warner carried the total to 44, of which the new-comer made 8 and the latter 29.

2.20 p.m.

After a 20-minutes interruption play was resumed. Warner is now 36, and Beldam 11. One for 54.

2.40 p.m.

The county men are batting quietly. Warner has increased his score to 39, and Beldam has made 14, the total when the luncheon adjournment took place being one for 60.

Following are the scores:—

MIDDLESEX.—First Innings.

W. DOUGLAS, lbw, b Trumble ..	..	.. 2
P. F. WARNER, not out ..	..	.. 39
G. W. BELDAM, not out ..	..	.. 14
Sundries	..	.. 5
One wicket for	..	.. 60

SILVER.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

The price of bar silver to-day is 2s 0 3-16d per ounce standard.

FRANCE.

RELIGIOUS ASSOCIATIONS' LAW.

SUPPORTED BY THE DEPARTMENTAL COUNCILS.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

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The "Novoe Vremya" asserts that Habibullah, Ameer of Afghanistan, is not cordial with the British, and that the time is opportune to establish a Russian representative at Cabul, and to open Afghanistan to Russian commerce.

LORD KITCHENER.

APPEAL TO EMPLOYERS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Lord Kitchener is the guest of the Marquis of Londonderry, at Wynyard Park, Stockton-on-Tees. Lord Kitchener has advocated the addition of elementary military schools to the present military institutions.

He appeals to employers to find good and permanent work for many returning soldiers.

THE VENEZUELAN REVOLUTION.

TWO DUTCH SCHOONERS CAPTURED.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Venezuela has declined to consider the protest made by Great Britain, the United States, France, and Germany against the inefficiency of the blockade of the ports of the Republic, and has captured two dutch schooners, whose officers were unaware that the blockade was in existence.

THE TINDERRA MYSTERY.

GOULBURN, Monday.

The new inquest on the body of Rankon will be opened to-morrow. The body was re-exhumed to-day. Twenty-one witnesses, including the coroner and jurymen of the first inquest, have been summoned. The Crown will call an expert in gunshot wounds.

THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

MATCH AGAINST MIDDLESEX.

THE COUNTY TEAM.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

The following players have been selected to represent Middlesex in the match against the Australians to commence at Lords to-day:—G. E. MacGregor, P. F. Warner, J. Douglas, R. Douglas, C. M. Wells, B. J. T. Bosanquet, G. W. Beldam, Schwarz, R. W. Nicholls, J. T. Hearne, and A. E. Trott.

CHINA.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE.

BRITISH MISSIONARIES BEATEN TO DEATH.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Mr. J. R. Bruce and Mr. R. H. Lowis, British missionaries attached to the China Inland Mission, have been beaten to death at Chin-chow, in the province of Hunan, Central China, 160 miles south of Chang-sha, on the left bank of a tributary of the Lei-kiang.

The mob which attacked the missionaries believed that they had poisoned wells, and by that means had produced the cholera outbreak.

The Chinese Government has promised to punish the murderers.

[Both Mr. Lowis and Mr. Bruce are single men. The latter has paid two visits to the Chinese mission fields. Altogether in Hunan the Inland Mission has five stations, but that at which the deceased missionaries were located has only recently been established. Mr. Lowis went to China in 1899. Mr. P. H. Parsons, who has done missionary work in West China, stated last night that the charge made by the Chinese regarding the poisoning of wells was an old one.]

REORGANISATION OF THE ARMY.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Yuan-shi-kai, Viceroy of Chi-li, has prepared a plan for the complete reorganisation of the Chinese army.

THE KING OF BAROTSELAND.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Lewanika, the King of Barotseland, has sailed for Africa. He has been greatly impressed with his visit, and intends to adopt European methods as far as practicable.

MR. SEDDON.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Mr. R. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, in accepting the freedom of Annan (in Dumfriesshire, Scotland), said that it was right for the British to exhibit generosity towards the Boer generals, but not to place them on a higher pedestal than British officers or men. He urged that judgment upon the reports concerning the overcrowding of transports should be withheld until the evidence was received.

CANADIAN PREMIER IN PARIS.

TARIFF NEGOTIATIONS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who visited M. Delcasse, Minister for Foreign Affairs, denies the report that he is negotiating with the French Government for the admission of Canadian goods into France under the minimum tariff in return for a measure of preference being granted by Canada to French products. He is, however, endeavouring to obtain a reduction in the duties of some articles.

LONDON MINING MARKET.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday the following were Australian quotations:—Broken Hill Proprietary, £1 12s 6d; New Chillagoe, 2s; Great Boulder Proprietary, 19s 3d; Ivanhoe, £7 12s 6d; Lake View Consols, £2 6s 3d; Mount Lyell, £2 8s 9d; North Lyell, £1 2s 6d; Briseis, 19s.

BRITISH SUBMARINE BOATS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The latest type of British submarine boat has been severely tested at Barrow-in-Furness. The vessel maintained a speed of 15 knots.

The "Westminster Gazette" of July 9 contains the following remarks, which will be found interesting in view of the above report:—Although at first somewhat backward in the adoption of submarine craft, Great Britain now appears to have taken the matter up with a will, and, judging by the conspicuous success which has so far attended the introduction of this new type of naval armament, it can be safely assumed that it will in the near future form a very important adjunct to our naval service. Five boats of the approved Holland type are already in the water, and to-day there was launched from the yard of Messrs. Vickers, Sons, and Maxim, at Barrow, a sixth, which differs considerably from any of its predecessors, and, in fact, the new boat marks an entirely new departure in the construction of submarine boats, inasmuch as it has been built as an offensive weapon, whereas the other five boats would only be available in the defence of our coasts. The new submarine is the joint invention of Messrs. Vickers, Sons, and Maxim and the Admiralty, much assistance having of course been derived from the construction of the previous boats which are regarded as experimental craft. She is about 100ft. long, as compared with 65ft., the length of the other boats, and can best be described as a diving torpedo boat. Her power of propulsion both on the surface and submerged is also considerably larger than her five consorts, a fact which will greatly strengthen her seagoing qualities. When on the surface she will be able to navigate as an ordinary torpedo, and yet will not be so prominent a mark for an enemy's guns. As in the case of the other boats, she can first of all disappear so as to leave nothing beyond her small conning tower above the water, and when within suitable range of the desired object a few seconds only are required before she is entirely invisible. Another important feature of the new boat is the introduction of Sir Howard Grubb's new invention so as to enable those responsible for her navigation to see where she is going whilst still under water. This instrument, it is understood, is a great improvement on the periscope in use on the French boats, and when completed the latest addition to our submarine flotilla is expected to prove the finest in the world.

THE SHAH.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The Shah of Persia visited Windsor and placed a magnificent wreath on the tomb of Queen Victoria.

Subsequently the Shah visited the Crystal Palace and witnessed a record display of fireworks. There were 70,000 people present.

THE ALPINE DISASTERS.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The brothers who were killed on the Wetterhorn were named Fearon. One was a London curate, and the other was a Government factory inspector. There was a terrific storm on the Wetterhorn on Tuesday night, when they were killed.

On Thursday all the guides and the climbers at Grindelwald, including a third brother, formed search parties. The bodies of the curate and one guide were found on the summit of the peak. The storm had carried the bodies of the other brother and the other guide over the precipice.

The parents of the brothers and their sisters were at Grindelwald when the accident happened.

SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE COLONY PARLIAMENT.

THE INDEMNITY BILLS.

A SIGNIFICANT VOTE.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The indemnity bills, covering the acts of the Executive and unauthorised expenditure, have been read the second time in the Cape House of Assembly. The debate revealed the existence of sympathy between Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, the Premier, and the Africander Bond. Mr. J. X. Merriman, who was Treasurer in the Schreiner Ministry, indicated that he was anxious to work with Sir J. Gordon Sprigg.

Aug. 25.

Sir Henry H. Juta (Progressive), member for Port Elizabeth, submitted a motion in the House of Assembly that the nine vacant seats ought to be filled.

The whole of the Progressives outside the Cabinet, except one member, supported the motion.

The members of the Ministry crossed the floor and assisted the Bond, thereby defeating the motion by 41 votes to 23.

This produced a sensation.

The Progressives intend to introduce a bill framed upon the lines of the laws operating in the Orange River Colony and in the Transvaal for the suppression of sedition and seditious utterances.

BOER GENERALS IN EUROPE.

BOTHA'S MODERATE POLICY APPROVED.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

In Boer circles at Brussels it is affirmed that after an agitated discussion at Utrecht (Netherlands) the conference of Boer leaders approved of General Louis Botha's moderate policy, only Mr. Leyds and Mr. Reitz supporting Mr. Kruger's proposal to found an intransigeant or an irreconcilable party.

INFLAMMATORY SPEECH BY MR. REITZ.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

At the Netherlands Literary Congress at Courtrai Mr. Reitz delivered an inflammatory harangue on the sufferings of Boer women and children.

He declared that he bore an unquenchable resentment against England.

THE JOHANNESBURG POLITICAL ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The projected political association at Johannesburg has drooped. An address signed by Sir A. Wools-Sampson, Major Karri Davies, and other of the principal inhabitants deprecating the formation of the association has been issued.

THE LATE COMMANDANT LUCAS MEYER.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

General Botha, Commandants de Wet and Delarey, and a great assemblage of the public were present yesterday at the laying of the body of the late Commandant Lucas Meyer in a vault at Ixelles Cemetery, Brussels, where it will remain until taken to Pretoria.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS OPENED.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

The principal Dutch newspapers have opened subscription lists on behalf of the Boers, and they are headed with large anonymous donations, which are attributed to Mr. Leyds.

CATTLE PLAGUE IN RHODESIA.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

The Johannesburg correspondent of the "Morning Post" states that the cattle plague in Rhodesia originated through the importation of Australian cattle. The Chartered Company has requested the Australian Federal Government to send experts and a staff to cope with the evil at the company's expense.

SWORDS IMPORTED IN A SADDLERY CASE.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

A case marked "Saddlery," consigned by a British firm to a Transvaal firm, burst when on a Durban wharf, showing that it was full of swords.

DIFFICULTIES OF SETTLEMENT.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Reuter's agency reports that there are many complaints on the Rand, and oversea colonists are leaving because there is no settlement scheme enabling them to obtain farms.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

Ex-Judge Koch has been admitted to practise as an advocate at Pretoria.

The rinderpest is ravaging the Barberton (Transvaal) district.

QUEANBEYAN, Monday.

Troopers Anthony Rolfe and Frank Boyd, who recently returned from South Africa, were entertained at a banquet at Hollings-worth's Hotel, Gnamanderra, on Saturday. About 40 gentlemen were present. After the loyal toast was honoured that of the guests of the evening was enthusiastically received, and several gentlemen spoke in support. Replying, both troopers recounted their 18 months' experience at the front. They expressed their willingness to serve the King and Empire again if called on, but said the shameful treatment of returning soldiers would discourage many from again volunteering.

CATASTROPHE IN RUSSIA.

A MISTAKEN MILITARY ORDER.

FIFTY CAVALRY DROWNED.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

Despite official secrecy, it has leaked out that in the recent military manœuvres near St. Petersburg, a squadron of cavalry was ordered to plunge into the river. The order was obeyed, and fifty of the cavalry were drowned.

BRITISH GUIANA.

EAST INDIANS ATTACK AN ESTATE.

LONDON, Aug. 24.

A party of 300 East Indians attacked an estate in British Guiana. The police fired on the mob. Twenty-one Indians were killed and 32 others were injured.

REPORTED BEQUEST OF MR. RHODES.

LONDON, Aug. 25.

The Countess of Warwick denies that Mr Rhodes has made a bequest to her.

THE SHEARING DIFFICULTY.

A QUIET DAY.

Yesterday was a quiet day so far as the shearing difficulty was concerned. Inquiries made at the headquarters of the A.W.U. were met with the reply that nothing fresh had transpired. The rain which had fallen throughout the country would, it was explained, retard shearing for a day or two. Hence there was little to report one way or the other. The officials of the Australian Workers' Union regarded the position as being full of hope so far as their prospects of coming off victorious in the present struggle were concerned. The state of affairs at Coonamble naturally formed the principal subject for discussion, and it was easy to see the unionists regarded the recent capitulation as a great victory for their side. "You have only to look in the daily papers," said one, "to see whether there was anything like intimidation or retention by force. The reports forwarded by the police and the press correspondents quite disapprove any statements of that kind which may have been made."

This, however, is only one side of the question. Members of the Pastoralists' Union when spoken to yesterday professed to be less concerned with the present dispute than has ever been the case in any previous conflict. The general aspect of affairs, they say, is very favourable, and no special efforts are necessary to keep things going. More than this, they say they are confident that the moral sympathy and support of the public is with them in the present strife.

As showing that there is no lack of labour offering it was mentioned by Mr. Mair, secretary of the Pastoralists' Union, yesterday, that instructions had been received by him from several stations not to send any more men, as there were plenty available locally. During the day a telegram was received from Puckawidgee station, near Conargo, stating that shearing had been started there on Friday with a full board under Pastoral Union conditions at 20s per 100. News was also received from nine other sheds to the effect that they had full boards ready to start as soon as the weather permitted.

THE CONDITIONS AT COONAMBLE.

WATCHFULNESS OF THE SHEARERS.

PASTORALISTS PATIENTLY WAITING.

(By A. B. PATERSON.)

COONAMBLE, Monday.

Coonamble is now the centre of the disturbance in the shearing world. On arrival in town one sees that the camp of the shearers' forces is now about 300 strong. Every train is watched along the line by pickets. The train, during the construction of the line, does not go faster than a man on a bicycle. As each train approaches the shearers from the tents, sheds, and humpies forming the camp stream out They are mostly men on bicycles, there being very few horses among them. Crowds of shearers meet the train, and persuade any shearer-like man to go to the camp. "Come on, old man, we will treat you well," they say. If even the man is disposed to refuse it would take a very courageous man to decline the invitation. All the roads are picketed. To-day hundreds of shearers in town met in the main street, and were talking of the Court decision—the fining of their leaders. Shearers interviewed say that they must fall in with their leaders, but the individual men think the strike is inopportune at present. The shearers are masters of the situation, but the effect of the fines will probably make a difference. The town is like a town in war time—no one dare express an opinion except after a careful survey of the surroundings. The pastoralists are waiting for their time. They can wait now that rain has fallen and no grass seed is threatening. Further troubles are unlikely, as matters are at a deadlock here. It is hoped that a settlement will come from outside.

UNLAWFUL ACTS.

POLICE COURT PROSECUTIONS.

HEAVY FINES ON SHEARERS.

COONAMBLE, Monday.

At the police court to-day, before Mr. H. Giles Shaw, P.M., the shearers' cases were heard. The evidence was not very long, though a good deal of time was occupied on the first case in arguing the law.

J. E. M'Manus appeared on summons to answer a charge of trespassing on Mr. Andrew Tobin's private property, Wingadee. Mr. J. D. Y. Button appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. S. R. Skuthorpe for the defence.

The evidence of Andrew A. Loughnan, Howard Speight, Aubert Loughnan, George Valentine, and Frank Delaney was taken, and all agreed to the effect that M'Manus came to the men's hut at Wingadee shed, about 8 o'clock in the evening. He was told by Aubert Loughnan that the place was private property and was ordered to leave over a dozen times, but refused to go, stating that, as organiser of the A.W.U., he had a right to be there to address the men. Eventually he did address the men, numbering between twenty and thirty, inviting them to the union camp, but all refused to go. M'Manus afterwards left, being on the premises about an hour and a half.

For the defence M'Manus deposed that he was present as organiser of the A.W.U., and had a right to be there. His instructions, signed by the secretary of the union, which he had lost, entitled him to be there.

There was no other evidence for the defence. Both solicitors addressed the Bench.

The police magistrate said he was satisfied the defendant was illegally on enclosed grounds without authority, and that his object was to induce men to leave their services and join the union camp.

Defendant was fined £2, with 4s 10d costs of court, £2 2s professional costs, and £14 12s costs of five witnesses.

Two assault cases were taken afterwards, and were practically the same. Neither defendants appeared. Mr. J. D. Y. Button appeared for the prosecution.

In the first case E. D. Humphries was charged with having assaulted Howard Speight, manager of Wingadee Station.

Complainant deposed that he and others were proceeding in two coaches to Wingadee with shearers. When about a mile from the station, which is about 30 miles from Coonamble, he saw about 100 men on the road. They rushed to stop the vehicles. The coach that witness (Speight) was on stopped, defendant catching the wheels. He also pushed plaintiff, who eventually got away from the crowd. Plaintiff told Humphries, whom he knew, that he would summons him.

Mr. Button, for the prosecution, said it was a serious matter that people pursuing lawful business should be interfered with in this manner.

Defendant was fined £2, with 4s 10d costs of court, £1 1s professional costs, and £1 12s 6d witnesses costs, or two months imprisonment.

Fenton Bowling was next proceeded against on an exactly similar charge, being one of the crowd of men who stopped the coaches proceeding to Wingadee station with shearers.

Mr. Howard Speight, manager, gave exactly similar evidence, after which the defendant was fined £2, with 4s 10d costs of court, £1 1s professional costs, or in default two months' hard labour.

The court was crowded during the hearing of the cases.

SPEECHES BY LABOUR MEMBERS.

"BE TRUE TO THE UNION."

NARRABRI, Monday.

Messrs. N. Neilsen and H. Macdonald, M.L.A., addressed a large meeting of unionists and townspeople in the School of Arts on Saturday night. The Mayor (Alderman J. J. Piper) presided.

Mr. Nielsen, M.L.A., said he was there to speak in support of the shearers in the present difficulty. He thought the majority of the people were with them in the matter. The pastoralists of New South Wales gave worse terms than in other parts, and it was absolutely necessary to organise the A.W.U. for the purpose of keeping up the price of shearing. He went on to point out the various clauses in the Arbitration Act, stating that a clause in the Act allowed the legal element to come in, which should not be. He also said that the labour party had done good work in the House, and he exhorted shearers to be loyal to their cause.

Mr. Macdonald, M.L.A., said that with reference to the shearing difficulty he was termed an agitator. He had no objection to be termed an agitator. The rights of labour were represented to-day by the labour party better than ever they were represented before. The agitator of 10 or 15 years ago was not the agitator of to-day. The rise asked for was a fair demand. Pastoralists said that the present time was inopportune, as they were losing sheep by the hundred, but they forgot to say that shearers were also losing that number to shear, and that the increase in the price of wool for the pastoralist was another consideration. The pastoralists never asked the shearers to partake in any of their profits, but as soon as they were in a little bit of difficulty they opposed the A.W.U. He told them how the labour party had acted in the past in the Assembly, and asked them to be true to the A.W.U.

THE SITUATION IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

EARLY SETTLEMENT EXPECTED.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

Negotiations are pending between the parties in the dispute regarding the shearing conditions, which, it is expected, will lead to an early settlement of the difficulty. Mr. Nixon, the secretary of the Pastoralists' Association, has received a telegram stating that Leigh's Creek station has completed shearing, and that the men employed there have proceeded to Nilpena shed, which begins operations to-day. Shearing has begun at Chowilla station, River Murray, under the A.W.U. conditions.

BROKEN HILL, Monday.

The shearers encamped at Murtee station, near Wilcannia, have been conceded the union rates. They started shearing on Saturday.

WARRUMBUNGLE, Monday.

Tondeburine started on Wednesday with four men shearing. The union men are still in camp picketing all roads leading into the station. They are firm and solid. Gunmain Gummin station is to cut out shearing early in next week, and Calga is now half through shearing under the old rates.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As a shearer of 37 years' experience, as an ex-delegate of the Shearers' Union (now A.W.U.), and as one who has been loyal to that union since its inception, and still believes fervidly in the principles it upholds, I beg leave to express, as briefly as possible, my views on the present shearing difficulty. Believing, as I do, that the action of our leaders is altogether unjustifiable, whether regarded in the light of common justice or of expediency, I must refuse to follow them further in a course which, in my opinion, can only end in the downfall of the union. Owing to circumstances easily understandable, chief among which was the departure of thousands of men for South Africa, the union last year attained a position which it has not enjoyed for years; its membership was increased by thousands, its funds almost doubled, and its strength and influence enhanced in every respect. Instead of being satisfied with this advance, and endeavouring by a wise and cautious policy to conserve what had been gained under favourable conditions not likely to again occur, the leaders, apparently unable to realise that conditions have again rapidly changed for the worse, have ordered a general strike for an increased rate throughout New South Wales. I say unhesitatingly that this demand for a rise proceeds entirely from the leaders of the union, and is not based upon any agitation of the men themselves, who, as a body, are well satisfied with the present rate of a "pound a hundred," which is regarded as a fair average price, representing, as it does, a wage far in excess of that paid for any other bush work. But even admitting the claim to be a just one, could a more inopportune time have been chosen for its enforcement, when the colony is in the throes of one of the worst droughts ever experienced, and not only the pastoralists, but the whole population, are suffering more or less. To thrust industrial strife upon the community at such a time, even if victory were assured, is surely an act little short of criminal, and when the possibility of defeat is considered, one beckoning disregard for all the actual facts of the situation. At the present moment there are several millions less sheep in the State than at last season, while, owing to the return of the contingents, a far larger number of men are waiting for a sheer. Then, again, despite this fact, the rates quite equally discouraging, the men are called upon to come out on strike, and change the hardships of failure, and the consequent sufferings of the women and children dependent upon them.

When the Arbitration Act was brought into existence, mainly through the influence of the labour party, we were told by our leaders that a new era had set in, and that more humane methods of settling industrial disputes would be resorted to in the future. It comes now as a shock to find that the very men responsible for this Act are taking advantage of a temporary delay in its working to return to the discredited (though erstwhile necessary) methods of the past. Surely they might have shown sufficient respect for a Court of their own creation, and sufficient faith in the justice of their own cause, to have allowed the matter to be settled in the proper way. Instead of seizing a last opportunity to resort to force, and thereby alienating the sympathy and support of the whole community.

It may not yet be too late for them to reconsider their action. This they may well do before they persist in a course which can only end in disaster to the men who have followed them loyally for years, and in irreparable injury to a union built up by years of ceaseless effort and organisation.

I am, &c., GEORGE STUART.

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VICTORIA.

LITIGATION OVER A STRIKE.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

Writs were issued to-day at the instance of John A. Martell upon David M'Ewan, president, and Arthur Allen Wilson, secretary of the Victorian Coal Miners' Association, and George Gregory, president, and James W. Kirby, member of the committee, and Andrew Gray, secretary of the Outtrim branch of the Victorian Coal Miners' Association. The writs have been served in connection with litigation instituted by Martell to recover damages to the amount of £1000 for loss of employment and other injuries alleged to have arisen out of the recent strike at the Outtrim Colliery.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT NARROWLY AVERTED.

Owing to a blunder in the use of the signalling levers an alarming situation was recently created at Fairfield Park Station, on the Heidelberg line. One of the up passenger trains got on to the wrong set of rails entering the station and was brought to a standstill just as its engine touched the engine of a train drawn up at the station platform.

PROPOSED RAILWAY EXTENSION.

Mr. P. M. Murray, Mayor of Balranald, waited to-day upon the Minister for Railways to urge that the proposed extension of the Victorian railway system from Ultima to the River Murray at Tongera should be varied by giving the line an easterly trend so as to touch the State boundary at the junction of the Murray and Murrumbidgee Rivers. It was pointed out that if this was done there was reason to believe that the New South Wales Government would continue the line to Balranald, which is 17 miles distant over easy country, and that this would have the effect of tapping a large and valuable area of country. Mr. Bent promised to consider the arguments placed before him.

PUBLIC SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the committee of the Public Service Association to-night consideration was given to a proposal to form a co-operative association. It was thought that at least 10,000 subscribers to such an association could be obtained, and that it would enable a substantial reduction to be made in the cost of living.

A SHOCKING FATALITY.

Alfred Wright, aged 26, in the employ of the Electric Light and Traction Company, met with a shocking death this afternoon. He was engaged in fixing a wire to an insulator on a pole at the corner of Toorak-road and Chapel-street, Prahran, when his hands came into contact with a live wire. Before assistance could be rendered he fell to the ground, a distance of 26ft., and falling on his head, smashed his skull. An examination showed that both his hands were badly burnt by the electric current. Death was due to fracture of the skull. Deceased was recently married.

GROUNDING OF THE PAROO.

When steaming up the harbour from the heads this morning the Paroo took the ground in the west channel, and remained fast from 10 past 11 till 1 o'clock, when she floated off apparently uninjured, and proceeded up Hobson's Bay.

NEW ZEALAND.

SURVEYORS FOR AFRICA.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Nine surveyors selected by the Government at the request of the Imperial authorities for work on the Gold Coast, Africa, leave by the Ventura for San Francisco on Friday.

A trooper who returned in the Montrose has died at Auckland.

AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL.

BEGA, Monday.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of the shareholders of the West End Creamery Co-operative Company, Limited, was held in the central factory, Bemboka, on Saturday afternoon. There was a fairly representative gathering of shareholders and suppliers. Mr. Jonas Alcock, chairman of directors, presided. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. The profit and loss account showed a credit balance of £55, which was carried forward.

CANOWINDRA, Monday.

The first meeting of the newly-elected committee of the Canowindra P.A.H. Association took place on Saturday afternoon. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. T. J. Crawford, J.P.; vice-presidents, Messrs. William Bassett, William Treves, and T. P. Grant; hon. treasurer, Mr. V. Blatchford; hon. secretary, Mr. John J. Finn; auditors, Messrs. John Boyd, J.P., and A. Robinson. It was decided that the next show be held on March 12, 1903. Frame sheds are to be erected for the accommodation of the booth holders next year.

MOLONG, Monday.

At the lands office to-day blocks of 23 acres and 31 acres respectively, in the county of Ashburnham, parish Manildra, were purchased by P. J. Roberts and William Carroll at upset prices.

MOHUVA, Monday.

The local agricultural society has received £61 of Government subsidy. For the next annual show about £22 has been promised in special prizes.

Large quantities of maize are just now going to the Sydney market; but all chaff required in the district is brought from Sydney.

PAMBULA, Monday.

About 80 persons attended a public meeting on Saturday night in connection with the proposed Agricultural Society. The proceedings were most enthusiastic. The provisional committee's report, giving the estimated income and expenditure, was received and discussed, and a motion was carried unanimously that a Pambula Agricultural, Horticultural, and Pastoral Society be established. Sixty names of intending members were handed in, and canvassers were appointed to collect additional members. A strong committee was chosen to arrange the bylaws.

WARRUMBUNGLE, Monday.

The fall of rain has made farmers quite jubilant, and if backed up with another full shortly the farmers will get a fair crop of hay after all.

THE ADELAIDE DIVORCE SUIT.

HALL v. HALL.

UNEXPECTED DEVELOPMENT.

THE CASE ENDED.

FINDING OF THE JUDGE.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

When the hearing of the Hall divorce case was resumed this morning Judge Boucaut, addressing the counsel for the respondent, said:—Mr. Piper: I have been thinking over this case since Friday very anxiously. I said to Sir John Downer then that it seemed to me without saying whether there has been any conspiracy at all that I saw no conspiracy so far proved which would affect petitioner. I also don't see any conspiracy which will affect cable messages and telegrams and that class of evidence. Might I ask you a question?

Mr. Piper: If your Honor pleases.

His Honor: I do so with painful responsibility, not considering the matter of time at all. That is nothing. I ask you whether you can get any evidence of a different class as to the effect that the Judge ought to tell a jury should be drawn from the cable messages and telegrams. I tell you frankly even with the risk of letting you see how my mind is working that I feel these cable messages are the key to the arch, so to say, which would establish the case for petitioner or otherwise. I feel it impossible for you not to have also thought so, that being the case you opened to me. It put me most anxiously on the qui vive that the lady had confessed all to her husband, and had invited with him discussion. Since I have had an opportunity of anxiously going through the evidence. The lady has never said a word on your invitation to tell me what took place, but the barrier was, so to speak, put into the camp of the petitioner by the reference to Nurse Harris and £150, and his drinking on the diggings. I am bound to say that it is difficult to get over the effect of that on my mind.

Mr. Piper: If I may say so without offence, from your Honor's remarks to me on Friday and afterwards to Sir John Downer, perhaps I ought very anxiously to consider what further evidence I have. I am bound to acknowledge that I can have no further evidence on either the cablegrams, telegrams, or what passed between the parties on the husband's return. What further evidence I have really bears more directly on the specific testimony of other witnesses as to other matters. I am bound to say that I feel the force of your Honor's remarks.

His Honor: You see there is no jury.

Mr. Piper: It is not strictly within my power to withdraw Mrs Hall from the box now she is there for cross-examination.

His Honor: I have looked into many cases, and have thought most anxiously about the matter. I see many cases in reports where counsel of standing no greater than your own, although juniors would not do it, seeing the tribunal and the nature of evidence, have said it was futile for them to ask the Judge to come to any other conclusion.

His Honor: Do you wish to address me?

Mr Piper: No, your Honor.

To Sir John Downer: Do you?

Sir John Downer: Yes. I do not accept that position of the case. You have not heard me.

His Honor: Mr. Piper made a speech for two whole days. You can occupy four days if you like, and I will listen anxiously and patiently to you, and even in my heart I hope you will be able to succeed, because it seems to me that the woman is the principal party to be considered, not the man at all, unless respondent is colluding with co-respondent.

Sir John Downer: You have not heard me at all.

His Honor: Certainly, I invite you to speak.

Sir John Downer: I won't take a day, won't take half an hour. It seems a little hard that even a co-respondent should not have an opportunity to say something.

After further argument the parties had a consultation. On resuming it was announced that no further evidence would be called.

His Honor, addressing Sir Josiah Symon, said:—I have to say to you, Sir Josiah Symon, that I think it is my bounden duty to report that your allegations are principally proved.

Judge Boucaut in giving judgment said he did not put much faith in the evidence of Lawrence (who was formerly respondent's gardener), or Mansfield. The first thing he had to bear in mind was the law of the case; the facts could not alter the law, and he as Judge had to decide according to law and to deduce from the facts proved that which the law certainly says ought to be deduced. The Court must apply the proof of adultery according to the circumstances and human nature. The Lord Chief Justice of England had laid down the principle that it was not necessary to prove a direct fact of adultery nor that the adultery took place at any time or place. In every case the fact must be inferred from the circumstances which admitted of the inference and the necessary conclusion. Probably some of the Judges would strongly rebuke the adulteress. He was not called upon to do that, but only to deal with the facts. He realised the fearful nature of the judgment he was about to pronounce in regard to the lady. He recognised her loss of society, of family, of husband and of the home; but that happened in every case where a judgment of adultery was given under such circumstances. His Honor would far sooner say he was dissatisfied with the evidence and allow her to go from the court free from taint; the injury to her husband was nothing in comparison; but as a Judge and lawyer he had no right to allow himself to be influenced by sympathy of that sort. Some part of the argument put forth by Mr. Piper was directed to conspiracy. He had not found and could find no conspiracy. There was a little of evidence from the beginning to the end of the case which would warrant any fair-minded man in saying that there was a conspiracy in the direction of making a false accusation. There was not a tittle of evidence that would in any way show that the husband was a party to a conspiracy. His Honor did not believe the cellar incident. Especially recollecting the words and manner of Lawrence, he did not believe him. From the first he was evidently bowing to the prosecutors and detectives who worked up the case, and looked at them in the box. Lawrence said he was in the cellar and heard in the room above them "a plainly audible sigh." His Honor did not believe it. Those were not the words that a man would in ordinary circumstances use. He was perfectly convinced that "the plainly audible sigh" came from the private detective. The cablegrams, to his mind, constituted the keystone of the arch. No Court in the world would come to any other conclusion than that which he had drawn concerning them. If all the other Judges in Australia put a different construction on them his Honor would say they were wrong. It was impossible for any fair neutral mind to come to any other conclusion than that they were filled with guilt. The lady had been watched by her servants for a long period, and even by her niece, whom his Honor believed. The latter warned her about kissing, and had undoubtedly imputed impropriety to Wilson. In addition the husband had warned Mrs. Hall that she was on too intimate terms with Wilson. Though it was no business of his servants to watch their mistress, they did it. Human nature could not be helped. The only answer was that the masters or mistresses should not bring about such conduct as encourages or permits their servants to watch them. His Honor could not take the common view that the servants in this case were wicked conspirators. Complaints were made to Mrs. Hall, but what did she do? He recognised that she was in a painful position, but she did not at the time send for the police and give in charge a person who was a virtuous woman would. She "barnied" with them, and explained to them afterwards that she sent for a policeman; but he did not take them in charge. Nothing was done. If she was innocent it was her duty straight away to communicate the facts to her husband, dismiss her servants and have left it to Mr. Hall whether he should prosecute them. It was not in consequence of the dismissal that the servants got up the case against Mrs. Hall. The charge was made while they were in her employ. In that respect if she was innocent she neglected her commonsense duty to her husband, children, and to the conventional laws of society made for the protection of the marital state. She told Wilson, and he immediately left. She went to the York Hotel. He followed her there. They remained at the hotel three days. There was clear demonstration of conspiracy between Mansfield and Lawrence to make money out of this unfortunate woman. They knew what had taken place, and thought they would get blood money or blackmail. His Honor would not hang a mad dog upon the testimony of such men. At the same time two men of that character would not go the length of concocting a story against respondent unless they believed there was something in it. It was not necessary to say

place this society promptly came to the relief by lifting some of the burden. He desired to congratulate the society on attaining its twenty-fifth birthday, and to give them a public assurance of how much we appreciated all they have done. He wished to refer to one other matter. Sir F. M. Darley had just arrived in the old country, and was very much improved in health. Had he been in Sydney he would have been at this meeting. They would like him to remember, when he read the report of the meeting, that they had not forgotten the good work he had done.

MR. G. H. REID'S SPEECH.

Mr. G. H. Reid, in rising to support the adoption of the report, was received with long continued applause. He said he liked to preserve a feeling of perfect frankness with every audience he addressed, and, therefore, he wished to confess that although he regularly attended these meetings he rose to address them that night with a feeling of unusual difficulty. The fact was, he was a fighting man; and he was satisfied that there was not a man, woman, or child in that audience who had not, deep down in their heart of hearts, an absolute conviction of the great and glorious nature of the objects of the society. If he could only believe that there was one man on the audience—he did not care in what corner—who had declared from his heart that he was a different man. He had implicit confidence in the balance-sheet presented although he had not read it. (Laughter.) He was there to support its adoption. Sir John See and himself had had a number of differences about balance-sheets. He did not think Sir John had read this one. It was in that way they sometimes managed to agree. As for any observations he had to make, he would like to follow on the lines of his Excellency's address. In the first place, when one rose to get up for something to say there was nothing like having a text. He would take as a text of his few observations the name of the society. It had an addition to its name by permission of his Majesty. It was now to be called a Royal society. In days gone by royal, royalty, kings, and kingly power had been associated more with the mailed fist, with tyranny, and oppression. But, thanks to our late illustrious Queen, there had been breathed into the atmosphere of royalty a humanity which made the term royal—something truly royal. They rejoiced to think that the grand example set by Queen Victoria, and the monarchs of the world was being followed by her successor. (Applause.) No society could possibly deserve the distinction of "Royal" more than the Shipwreck Relief and Humane Society of New South Wales. They all felt profoundly their dependence upon the "wooden walls" but they knew that, although the sea was a good servant, it was like some other things which might become tyrannical masters. They all liked to see the ocean heaping up in kindly sunlit ripples to greet the god of day, but they remembered that these smiling surfaces there were the tremendous forces which might at any moment be lashed into mad fury, and convert the smiling waters into yawning chasms for the destruction of human life. (Hear, hear.) It was upon their sailors that they had to depend for the marvellous achievements with which their commerce was carried on, and for the means of communication between distant lands, which was one of the greatest glories of the present age. The ocean monsters of to-day were so equipped by the inventive genius of modern times that they flew over the seas, and made their voyages to ports with regularity almost of a piece of mechanism, but in spite of the glorious feats of civilisation it was the doom of mankind that occasionally death and disaster spread an appalling gloom over the brightest prospects. (Hear, hear.) And he gloried in the gallant men, sailors when they found themselves face to face with death would feel that there were in the port of Sydney those who would look after the widows and the fatherless. There was a vast amount of good work done by that society, and probably most of it was unknown to the public, for in the history of the society there were plenty of cases that fully brought out the value of the relief that had been given. It was also a humane society, and he thought it was well that those who had performed deeds of humanity should be brought before the public and have bestowed upon them all the honours they had earned so well. The society therefore combined its forces to give aid to the distressed, and to confer honour upon those who had risked their lives for the sake of their fellow creatures. He had the greatest pleasure in supporting the resolution. (Continued applause.)

The motion was carried by acclamation.

THE AWARDS.

His Excellency then went singly through the list of awards, and called upon the recipients to mount the platform. On their doing so his Excellency shook hands with them, and the awards were handed to them by Lady Rawson, amidst enthusiastic applause. Miss Grace O. M. Townsend was the only lady recipient, and on reaching the platform was greeted with continuous cheers.

The following are those to whom awards were given:—

Silver Medals and Certificates of Merit.—S. Green, J. Robinson, G. I. B. Sheridan, S. Ewen, J. Chitts, G. W. Snowdon, A. F. Stanford, S. Fotheringham, E. R. Hughes, J. M. Denmeade, J. R. Groves, W. A. Windeyer, H. L. Pattison, R. Cowling, A. Ekehorn.

Bronze Medals and Certificates of Merit.—Miss G. O. M. Townsend, R. C. A. Arter, J. Arneil, H. M. Jacobsen, J. G. Petersen, P. Ryan, S. J. Coggins, B. Butterfield, E. B. Morris, R. Stilgoe, M. M'Grath, M. Ryan, J. J. Scully.

Binocular Glasses and Certicate of Merit.—E. Dearman.

Certificates of Merit.—F. A. Kiley, P. W. T. Cree, and T. Terry.

His Excellency announced that the collection taken up in the hall amounted to £40. He called upon the Mayor to move the resolution,—" That the work of the society deserves the earnest support of the general public."

THE MAYOR'S SPEECH.

Alderman Thomas Hughes (Mayor), in rising to move the resolution entrusted to him as the second to him, said that he scarcely needed no words of commendation. The presence of the immense meeting was evidence enough that it had the support of every right-thinking man and woman in the community. There were one or two points which had not been referred to by previous speakers, and to which he would like to refer. One was the amount of money that had been expended by the society since it came into existence. The sum of £17,500 had been distributed among those who had been the victims of misfortune. Over and above all the society had not only restricted its work merely to suffering by sea, or to those who won glory by saving life at sea. They had given an award to a boy of 14 who had gone down a burning pit and saved the life of a companion. The meeting could not do justice to the number of cases that had been placed before it. It ought to make every pulse beat faster to know that there were women and boys ready to keep up the great tradition of the race to which we belong. (Cheers.) He congratulated the society upon attaining its twenty-fifth anniversary, and upon having for its chairman that night one of the most distinguished admirals in the British Navy. He had great pleasure in moving the resolution entrusted to him.

The Hon. M. H. Stephen, Acting Chief Justice, seconded the motion. He said he had been 22½ years a member of the society, and, indeed, was one of the eight surviving original members of it. As to the work it had done, its annual reports spake for themselves, and were quite sufficient to warrant the continuation of the public support which had been so generously forthcoming in the past. (Applause).

The motion was carried amidst cheers.

A vote of thanks to his Excellency and Lady Rawson for their presence at the meeting was carried at the call of Mr. S. Buzacott, and the proceedings were brought to a close with the National Anthem, played on the grand organ.

TRADE ON THE NORTHERN RIVERS.

INAUGURATION OF THE SERVICE WITH BRISBANE.

BRISBANE, Monday.

This afternoon the steamer Lady Musgrave left Brisbane on the first trip to the Richmond and Clarence Rivers. She is a vessel took over 100 tons of cargo and about a score of passengers. A large proportion of the cargo consists of commercial travellers' samples. The Lady Musgrave is expected to reach Ballina to-morrow morning, thence proceeding to Wardell, Broadwater, Coraki (where the Casino cargo will be transhipped), and Lismore, being timed to reach the last mentioned town to-morrow night. On Wednesday evening the vessel leaves for the Clarence River, calling at eight or nine wharfs, of which the more important are Maclean and Grafton, the latter being the farthest point. She leaves on the return trip on Friday, calling at Ballina and possibly Lismore, and is expected to reach Brisbane on Sunday night.

ACTION AGAINST THE QUEENSLAND RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

BRISBANE, Monday.

The trial of the action brought by John Richard Campbell against the Commissioner for Railways was continued to-day. Evidence was adduced on behalf of the defendant to combat plaintiff's evidence that the door of the carriage out of which he alleged he had fallen was defective.

Mr. John M'Phillamy, solicitor, of Bathurst, who acted as solicitor for a man named M'Lean, who was said to have met with a similar accident on the Bathurst line, and subsequently obtained £1750 as compensation from the New South Wales Railway Commissioners, identified plaintiff as a man who gave the name of Patrick Gleeson, and who called on him shortly after M'Lean's accident, and made a statement regarding the circumstances under which M'Lean was supposed to have fallen out of the train.

Arthur Blackshaw, district secretary of the Bathurst Hospital, deposed that the injuries from which M'Lean was suffering were apparently similar to those of Campbell. When M'Lean left Bathurst Hospital he had apparently not recovered the use of his legs. Shortly afterwards M'Lean was seen in Sydney by witness at Mrs. Russell's boarding-house sitting on a couch.

George Lee, a fettler employed on the New South Wales railways, deposed to picking up M'Lean after the supposed accident.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-morrow.

J. R. Wood and Co., Grocers, Balmain and Rozelle, give Co-operative Coupons.—Advt.

Unequalled and Invincible for Coughs and Colds, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 9d.—Advt.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

PARLIAMENT HOUSE,
MELBOURNE, Monday.

BUSINESS BEFORE PARLIAMENT.

Both Houses of the Federal Parliament meet to-morrow afternoon. The first business in the House of Representatives will be the second reading of the Royal Commission Bill, a formal measure which should soon be disposed of. Afterwards the resolution relating to the expenses of the Governor-General's establishments in Sydney and Melbourne will be moved. The proposals of the Government are likely to meet with strong opposition from the representatives of Victoria and the smaller States. The remaining business for this week consists of the Bonus Bill and the Postal and Telegraphic Rates Bill, which the Minister hopes to get finished before the House adjourns on Friday.

The first matter on the notice paper of the Senate is the resolution relating to the Governor-General's establishments and the Federal Executive Council, but Mr. Drake intimated on Friday that the message from the House of Representatives respecting the Senate's requests for amendments in the tariff would be considered on Tuesday. It will doubtless be convenient also to postpone the Governor-General's establishment resolution until after the House of Representatives has dealt with it. Obviously there is nothing to be gained in going on with a resolution which might not be agreed to by the House of Representatives.

SIR EDMUND BARTON.

It was reported in Federal circles last week that the Imperial Government had offered Sir Edmund Barton a position on the British Court of Appeal with a salary of £5000 a year, and that the Prime Minister has been considering the proposal. Federal Ministers, however, ridicule the whole story. They would of coirse be delighted if their titular leader received such a distinguished mark of Imperial favour, but they assert that not the vaguest hint of such preferment has reached them.

THE COMMONWEALTH BUDGET.

Sir George Turner has not yet received for revision all the estimates of the transferred departments, and therefore is not in a position to fix even approximately the date of making his second Commonwealth budget speech. The work of preparing the material is complicated by the uncertainty as to the fate of the Government loan proposals. For the present at any rate Sir George Turner is compelled to assume that no loan money will be available during the current financial year, and he has to provide for payment of works to the extent of a quarter of a million out of revenue. The Commonwealth returned to the States last year over £50,000 more than it was legally obliged to refund, but a repetition of this will be impossible if the loan is not authorised. Sir George Turner is of opinion that the money for new works in connection with the transferred departments if paid for out of revenue must be reckoned as new expenditure, and charged to the States on a population basis. This will be very hard on the smaller States, as Tasmania, for instance, may be called upon to pay a share of the sum of £150,000 required to bring the Victorian telegraph and telephone services up to date.

FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE.

The Federal Government has been urged by the Governments of Victoria and Queensland to give consideration in making new appointments to retrenched officials from the State services. It has been intimated, however, that appointments to the Federal Public Service are only to be made from candidates who pass a competitive examination according to the regulations. The intention of the Government is to make the federal service, if possible, the best in Australia, and therefore it best men available are to be appointed irrespective of whether the candidates are members of State services or not. It has also been pointed out that if the Federal Government undertakes to provide positions for retrenched Civil servants the people of Australia will have to continue to pay them, and there will be no actual relief to the finances.

Some inquiries have been made as to the probable date when the provisions of the Public Service Act relating to minimum salaries will come into force. It is understood that although the Act will not come into operation for two or three months the minimum wage clause will, with other provisions, take effect from the date of the passing of the Act.

WHITE LABOUR IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY.

At the Federal Executive Council to-day approval was given to a new regulation under the Pacific Island Labourers Act extending the time within which growers can give notice of their intention to employ only white labour until the end of September next.

ENGLISH CRITICISM OF THE CUSTOMS ACT.

The papers relating to the protest of the British shipowners against certain provisions of the Commonwealth Customs Act have been received by the Federal Government. Mr. Deakin stated this evening that the papers were confidential, but he had no hesitation in quoting a criticism of the Act by Mr. Henderson, of the British Board of Customs. Mr. Henderson wrote: "I am to add that the board cannot refrain from expressing their sense of the excellence of the scheme of the Act in question, which in it arrangement and drafting is, in their opinion, a model of a Customs Act."

CONSCIENCE MONEY.

The following letter, which was sent on to the Minister of Customs from the Queensland Department, is of such an extraordinary character that Mr. Kingston has made it available for publication:—

"Brisbane, July 25, 1902. Collector of Customs, Brisbane. Sir,—We have the honour to enclose you herewith cheque for the sum of £120, which we send to you on behalf of a client who, without knowing the fact, had benefited by certain Customs' duties, payment of which was evaded. The facts have only come to the knowledge of our client now, and the enclosed cheque is intended to cover the loss sustained by the revenue which has happened. We will thank you for acknowledgement of receipt of amount. Yours, &c., Thynne and Macartney." Mr. Kingston has approved of the amount being treated as "conscience money." As far as the officials know, this is the greatest "windfall" that the Customs Department has ever received in the shape of conscience money.

THE HON. W. BENNETT'S TOUR.

DUNGOG, Monday.

The Hon. W. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. J. Thomson, M.L.A., and Mr. B. D. Hay, of the Forest Department, passed through the town yesterday on their way to Sydney.

INCORPORATED PHONOGRAPHIC SOCIETY.

A shorthand speed examination, in connection with the Incorporated Phonographic Society of Great Britain, New South Wales district general section, was held on Wednesday evening last at the High School-buildings, Elizabeth-street. The examination was the first of the kind held in Sydney, and 104 candidates presented themselves. Messrs. F. A. Chartres, H. H. Pynus, and C. F. Jones, members of the Sydney Institute of Practising Shorthand Writers, acted as supervisors. The test pieces were selected by the London examining board of the society, and comprised speeds ranging from 50 to 140 words per minute. The papers have been forwarded to London for adjudication, and certificates will be awarded to the successful candidates in due course. The local district of the Incorporated Phonographic Society has decided to hold these and other shorthand examinations periodically, in order to afford means of testing the capabilities of stenographers by an independent body.

FATHER LE RENNETEL'S JUBILEE.

PRESENTATION OF ADDRESSES.

The celebrations in connection with the jubilee of the Rev. Father Le Renetel's ordination was continued yesterday and last night. In the morning Father Le Rennetel was invited to the Marist Brothers' School, and there presented with an address, read by Master John M'Grath, and a purse of fifty sovereigns, given by the children. A musical programme was also gone through, including a jubilee ode specially composed for the occasion. There was a large audience in the Federation Hall at night, when Father Le Rennetel was presented with a handsomely illuminated address. M. Biard d'Aunet, Consul-General for France, occupied the chair, and among those present were Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan (Minister for Works), Messrs. T. M. Slattery, M.L.C., W. M. Daley, J. F. Hogan, O'Connor, M.L.A., Theodore Boesen (Consul-General for Denmark), Monsignor O'Brien, Father M. A. Fleming, Alderman R. G. Watkins, Messrs. T. Nolan, W. O. Healy, W. J. Spruson, T. J. Purcell, T. Ingram, and many other leading residents of the district.

Speeches were delivered by the Minister for Works, Messrs. Purcell, Spruson, and Daley, M.L.A., after which Mr. Healy presented the address to Father Le Rennetel, accompanied with a cheque for £300. Father Le Rennetel made a suitable response.

A programme of music was then gone through. Mr. Sydney Hoben was musical director and accompanist.

The proceedings were brought to a close by a vote of thanks to the chairman, which was moved by Mr. T. M. Slattery, M.L.C., and seconded by Mr. J. F. Hennessy.

THE WEATHER.

LIGHT SHOWERS INLAND.

Complete reports from the various recording stations received at the Observatory yesterday morning showed that during Saturday, and probably on Sunday, light to moderate showers fell over more than half the State. The Southern and Central districts received from 5 to 38 points, whilst on the Northern highlands the falls ranged from 2 to 20 points. The showery conditions extended over a considerable area to the West, reaching as far as Tilpa, on the Darling, Hillston, and Hay. Along the coast the quantities of rain registered were larger, the principal records being—Crookhaven 80 points, Kiama 80, Cape Hawke 62, Port Stephens 50, and Jervis Bay 50. The weather cleared everywhere inland during the course of Sunday.

Yesterday the rain was confined to the seaboard. At 9 a.m. showery weather prevailed from Jervis Bay to Ballina; but during the day the disturbance left the southern portion of the coast. At 9 o'clock last evening unsettled conditions prevailed north of Newcastle. Clarence Heads last night reported a fall of 30 points, and Newcastle 5 points. It was still raining at that hour at Tweed Heads, Byron Bay, and Port Stephens. Heavy seas were running last evening at Tweed Heads, Ballina, Woolgoolga, and Seal Rocks. South of the lastnamed station slight to moderate seas were running. The winds at 8 p.m. were light to strong from the S., S.E., and S.W.

The fall at Sydney during the 48 hours ended at 9 o'clock yesterday morning was 49 points, but no rain was recorded during the day.

Mr. Russell says that further showers may fall to-day along the coast, and over a portion of the northern areas, but inland the weather will remain fine for two or three days. He anticipates another change with mild northerly winds towards the end of the week.

THE ADDITIONAL FALLS.

The quantities of rain registered inland and on the coast during the 48 hours ended at 9 o'clock yesterday morning were as follows:—

Albury 20 points, Bathurst 5, Bega 19, Bingara 2, Bourkula 4, Bowral 28, Braidwood 10, Brewarrina 6, Camden Haven 16, Cape St. George 50, Carcoar 38, Cobar 9, Condobolin 9, Coolah 9, Coonabarabran 5, Cowra 8, Cudgelleo 21, Dubbo 10, Eden 5, Forbes 5, Gabo Island 27, Germanton 1, Goulburn 1, Hay 3, Hill End 10, Hillston 7, Inverell 2, Jerry's Plains 10, Katoomba 32, Kempsey 1, Kiandra 35, Maitland 2, Manning Heads 15, Molong 14, Moruya Heads 12, Moss Vale 35, Mount Drysdale 3, Mount Hope 12, Mount Victoria 10, Murrurundi 10, Muswellbrook 1, Newcastle 32, Nimitybelle 23, Nyngan 10, Orange 12, Picton 10, Port Macquarie 15, Port Stephens 50, Quambone 26, Quirindi 15, Rockley 5, Singleton 15, Sydney 49, Tamworth 5, Taree 11, Tenterfield 1, Uralla 4, Wagga 20, Wellington 25, Wollongong 5, Young 7, Araluen 16, Adelong 2, Bendemeer 14, Blackheath 15, Bungendore 15, Burrowa 16, Byron Bay 2, Cannonbar, 3, Cape Hawke 62, Crookhaven 80, Dundaloo 11, Euabalong 22, Gongolgon 1, Goodooga 4, Junee 2, Kiama 80, Kurrajong 8, Merriwa 4, Nowra 5, Nundle 8, Parramatta 45, Raymond Terrace 10, Seal Rocks 31, Taralga 6, Tarcutta 3, Tilpa 2, Trangie 6, Tumbarumba 1, Tumut 11, Ulladulla 33, Warren 30, Windsor 18, Yass 7, Adaminaby 6, Camden 19, Blayney 6.

At 9 p.m. the following additional records were supplied to the Observatory:—Clarence, 20 points (cloudy); Newcastle, 5 points (showery).

INTER-STATE RAINFALLS.

Light showers have fallen over parts of Victoria and South Australia, and the following measurements have been reported:—

Victoria.—Omeo, 7 points; Melbourne, 27; Portland, 4; Cape Otway, 12; Cape Schanck, 29; Wilson's Promontory, 49; Horsham, 2; Hamilton, 48; Sale, 19; Warrnambool, 41; Cape Patton, 49; Ballarat, 16.

South Australia.—Wallaroo, 3 points; Cape Borda, 13; Adelaide, 16; Robe, 46.

RAIN ON THE CATCHMENT AREA.

Inquiries made at the offices of the Water and Sewerage Board yesterday elicited the information that the late rains had benefited the Prospect dam but very little. A report received from the engineer at that place showed that there had been a rise, but it was almost imperceptible. During the morning some telegrams were received, giving the quantity of falls at some places on the catchment area. These were:—Thirty-one points at Mittagong, 11 at Cataract, 50 at Robertson, and 45 at Prospect. The officers of the Board are hopeful that within the next few days news of a further addition to the present available supply will be received as the outcome of the late rains.

THE LATE MONSOONAL RAINS.

STATION REPORTS.

Additional reports from stations in the interior continue to come to hand respecting the quantities of rain measured as a result of the recent monsoonal disturbance.

Messrs. Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, have received the following weather reports from the undermentioned stations:—

Cucumgilligan, Cowra, 22nd instant: "Thirty-five points rain."

Tuglands, Tuglandra, 22nd instant: "Fifty points good soaking rain."

Blairmore, Boggabri, 22nd instant: "One bundred and thirty points rain: all tanks replenished."

Pike's Creek, Stanthorpe, Queensland, 23rd instant: "One inch soaking rain."

Camden, Cunnamulla, Queensland, 22nd instant: "One inch 49 points rain."

Bunna Bunna, Millie, 22nd instant: "One hundred and twenty points light warm rain."

Wirrah, Mungindi, 20th instant: "Seventy points rain."

Glenthorpe, Bullara, 20th instant: "One hundred and thirty points rain."

Gundyamungyldi, Bourbah, 21st instant: "One hundred and twenty points rain."

Yantabulla, Brewarrina, 21st instant: "Fifty points rain."

Torryburn, Uralla, 22nd instant: "Two hundred and forty-three points rain."

The Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, report having received the following in connection with the rainfall:—

Willaroo, Moree: "Further fall of 70 points, 130 points altogether; will like more rain."

Pine Vill, Moree: "130 points rain here; like more; will do a lot of good."

Cowl Cowl, Booligal: "Showery for last few days, but only 30 points registered."

Boolools, Gunnedah: "Further fall of 38 points, making 68 in all."

The Australian Estates and Mortgage Company, Limited, report having received the following advices:—

Boolcarrol station, Narrabri, New South Wales, August 21: "Seventy points general rain last night; still raining lightly and looks like continuing." August 22: "108 points additional rain since yesterday morning."

Terrick Terrick, Blackall, Queensland, August 21: "Twenty-eight points last night; about same all over run; weather still unsettled."

Tandawanna, Goondiwindi, Queensland, August 21: "Sixty points rain here; think much heavier at Newings."

Gunnee station, Inverell, New South Wales, August 21: "167 points steady rain; still raining." August 22: "117 points additional rain, making 284 points altogether."

Pangobila station, Moongulla, New South Wales, August 22: "Eighty-four points rain here since yesterday."

Springfield estate, Toowumwil, New South Wales, August 22: "Sixty points good soaking rain last night. Looks like more."

Jemalong station, Forbes, New South Wales, August 22: "Thirty-five points general rain over run; heavier in patches. Now cloudy but not promising."

Thackaringa station, Thackaringa, New South Wales, August 22: "Patchy rain yesterday; half inch at homestead; more other parts."

Mulwala Station Mulwala, New South Wales, August 22: "Forty-seven points. Rained steadily for three hours."

Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, have received the following reports:—

Trefusis station, Kunopia: "One hundred and six points rain in the last two days."

Mourabie station, Walgett: "Forty points have fallen; might break soon."

Callandoon station, Goondiwindi: "Fifty points rain; like more."

Euroka station, Walgett: "Thirty-nine points light rain."

Talawanta station, Brewarrina: "Eighty points rain; will do little good."

Tulcumba station, Carroll: "Inch steady, warm rain; still raining; looks well."

Keepit station, Gunnedah: "Splendid rain has fallen; total 150 points and still raining; the weather is mild."

Noonbah station, Warren: "We had a fairly heavy storm over part of the run; 112 points at station."

Burrawang station, Forbes: "On Thursday we had a nice fall of rain, but patchy; at head station 33 points, at Carrabobbin 40 points, Woolwash 75 points, Mulgutherie 99 points.

ALBION PARK, Monday.

Seventy-eight points of rain have fallen since Thursday up till 4 a.m. to-day.

ADELONG, Monday.

Since Saturday two points of rain has fallen. It is now fine. There was a heavy frost this morning.

ARMIDALE, Monday.

A total of 184 points of rain has fallen. It has done an immense amount of good. Many stockowners have left off feeding. Chaff has fallen to £6 10s per ton, and other feed in proportion. There are indications of more rain.

BEGA, Monday.

Splendid showers fell during yesterday, the register being 19 points. The grass and crops are responding, and the country is quite green. The supplies at the factories in the Bega district are increasing daily, and there are prospects of a bounteous season.

BERRY, Monday.

The weather broke this morning, and it is now beautifully fine. Fifty-four points fell since Saturday to 9 a.m. this morning.

BOURKE, Monday.

The weather yesterday was cloudy and cold. Towards evening light showers of rain fell. A heavy frost was noticeable this morning. To-day has been much warmer with a clear sky.

BOWRAL, Monday.

Heavy rain fell for some hours last night. The prospects for a favourable season daily appear more assured.

BROKEN HILL, Monday.

A few light showers occurred yesterday. To-day is bright and clear, with a rising temperature.

BURROWA, Monday.

Seventeen points of rain fell yesterday evening. It is fine and clear to-day. Since the 22nd instant 65 to 100 points has fallen in several parts of the district.

CANOWINDRA, Monday.

Since the rain of last Thursday an additional 30 points has fallen, totalling 106. The grass has grown fully half an inch, and the whole district is covered with a green mantle.

CAMDEN, Monday.

Showers of rain fell on Friday and Sunday, 40 points being registered.

CAMPBELLTOWN, Monday.

Rain fell for an hour last night, about 25 points being registered. It is now fine.

COOLAMON, Monday.

All appearance of rain have cleared away and frosts again prevail. Some parts of this district in the north and north-west have had over 30 points.

COOMA, Monday.

Notwithstanding the promise of rain only a few showers fell yesterday, and fine weather prevailed to-day. Light snow is reported at Nimitybelle this morning. The southern and western portions of the Monaro have not suffered from drought as much as the extreme northerly.

COBAR, Monday.

A few light showers fell yesterday.

CROOKWELL, Monday.

The weather to-day is fine. The total rainfall since Wednesday was 53 points. It will do a great deal of good, but more is wanted.

DUBBO, Monday.

No rain has fallen since Saturday. The total rainfall for the week was 55 points. There was heavy frost this morning.

DUNGOG, Monday.

Heavy rain fell on Friday night and Saturday afternoon, showery conditions prevailed on Sunday, and to-day intermittent showers fell.

KATOOMBA, Monday.

Nice rain fell last night, registering 30 points. Snow fell about 10 o'clock, and was an inch deep at midnight, clearing away towards morning. There is nice bright weather to-day.

KIAMA, Monday.

There was another splendid fall of rain last evening, adding 74 points to the previous record, making 6 inches 20 points since the rain commenced on the 12th instant.

At Gerringong there was a particularly heavy fall, and many acres of Miller's Flats are under water, the outlet to the sea at the mouth of Gourse Creek having become obstructed by an accumulation of sand thrown up by the breakers when the high sea prevailed a couple of weeks ago. Since the late rain commenced a wonderful transformation has taken place in this district, the brown parched appearance of the country having given place to a mantle of vivid green. Crops are all looking exceedingly luxuriantly, and the patches of cultivation on Terragong Common form a beautiful feature of the landscape between Kiama and Jamberoo.

LISMORE, Monday.

A few showers of rain fell to-day. It is very cold.

Ram commenced again last night and fell in light showers. The total quantity registered here is 25 points.

LIVERPOOL, Monday.

Heavy showers fell last night. It is fine to-day.

MACLEAN, Monday.

Rain fell here this morning.

MOSS VALE, Monday.

It was showery during yesterday and heavy rain fell last night. To-day is fine and clear; 35 points was registered.

MITTAGONG, Monday.

On Friday 35 points of rain fell, and to-day there was a further fall of 31 points. It is now fine.

MOREE, Monday.

Over a very large area of the North-west, from Yetman to below Mungindi, very little rain has fallen. On Whalan, Coppybella, Kunopia, and the country in the immediate vicinity the fall has been very light. Whether the drought has broken up is considered very doubtful in this part of the State. Several inches are required before there can be permanent benefit. No doubt the late fall will bring sheep feed in isolated places, but it is taken to mean little to the country. The black soil will require inches. All signs of rain have at present disappeared.

MORUYA, Monday.

The showers of rain last week totalled about 1 inch, and will be a great assistance in starting the spring, which up to the present is very backward.

ORANGE, Monday.

The weather is fine and all indications of rain have vanished.

PAMBULA, Monday.

The weather is again settled. There was a sharp frost this morning.

PATERSON, Monday.

Occasional showers fell during the week, giving 70 points.

PARKES, Saturday.

Up to this morning there has been much disappointment locally owing to the want of rain. Only about 4 points have been registered, while in the other towns near by good falls have been recorded. However, a couple of sharp showers fell this evening, 18 points being recorded.

PENNANT HILLS, Monday.

Broken weather prevailed last week and showers fell at intervals until Saturday, when a sharp thunderstorm occurred, and heavy rain accompanied by hail fell over the whole district between Ryde and Hornsby; and as the rainfall has not been restricted to the vicinity of the Government line, but has also extended as far inland as Carlingford, Castle Hill, and Dural, the whole of the large area of intervening fruit country will be greatly benefited by the recent wet weather.

QUEANBEYAN, Monday.

Friday's rain was lighter in most parts of the districts than in the town. There has been light falls since. The grass is starting well.

ROBERTSON, Monday.

Heavy showers fell last night, registering 50 points. To-day is fine and warm.

ROCKLEY, Monday.

On Saturday and Sunday the weather was showery. There was a severe frost this morning.

SPRINGWOOD, Monday.

Ten points of rain fell last night, and the total fall for the past week was 28 points.

WINDSOR, Monday.

Mr. John Tebbutt, F.R.A.S., of the Windsor Observatory, reports that for July, 1902, the rainfall at his observatory amounts to 0·707 inch, which is 1·469 inch below the average for the month as derived from 40 years' observation. The total fall for the first seven months of the year is 4·739 inches, whereas the average for the same period from the 40 years observation is 21·620 inches.

Several fine showers fell last night, 18 points being registered. The weather is still threatening.

WYALONG, Monday.

It has been continually threatening rain during the past week. Light showers have fallen, only 8 points being registered. The weather is now fine.

WOLLONGONG, Monday.

Since Saturday afternoon up to 9 a.m. to-day 44 points of rain fell.

YAMBA, Monday.

Nice showers fell to-day, 35 points being registered. The weather is still showery.

YOUNG, Monday.

The weather is again clear and fine. Great disappointment is expressed at the small rainfall. If rain comes early there are good hopes for the crops. Up to Saturday morning 29 points of rain was recorded. A few points have since fallen, with every likelihood of more.

DEFICIENCY OF RAIN IN ENGLAND.

The following extract from the July issue of "Observatory"—a scientific periodical published in England—will be of interest at the present moment:

"In the seven years ended December 31, 1901, the deficiency of rainfall, as compared with the 50 years' average, amounted to 23·70 inches, or very nearly an average year's rainfall. This deficency was still further swelled by the deficient rainfall in the four months, January to April of the present year, to the extent of 3·39 inches."

FATALITIES AND CASUALTIES.

DEATH OF A WOMAN.

A woman named Emily Fisher, about 40 years of age, residing at 38 Park-street, Erskineville, was walking along Mary Ann-street, Ultimo, shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning when she was seen to fall. Assistance was procured and the woman conveyed to a house near by, but she almost immediately expired. The body was afterwards removed by the police for the purpose of having a post-mortem examination made.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A SULKY.

Shortly after 6 o'clock last night George Lossby, 60, a commission agent, residing at Bangor-place, Chippendale, was knocked down by a sulky in George-street, near the railway station. He was conveyed by the Civil Ambulance to Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted suffering from a fracture of the base of the skull.

PEOPLE'S REFORM LEAGUE.

We have received a copy of the constitution of the People's Reform League of New South Wales. The officers are:—President, Alderman G. Macarthur Onslow, Mayor, Camden; vice-presidents, Alderman Thomas Henley, Mayor, Drummoyne; Mr. J. Garland, Sydney; hon. treasurer, Mr. Felix Randle, chairman Stock Exchange, Sydney. The objects of the league are to advocate and promote economy in public expenditure; to oppose all further borrowing, except for the redemption of loans; or for works of an undoubtedly reproductive character; to secure Parliamentary reform. (1) By a reduction of the members of the Legislative Assembly to a number not exceeding 78. (2) By a reduction of members in the Legislative Council to a number not exceeding 40, such Council to be elected by the people. (3) To advocate and promote such reform as may be deemed necessary in either the State or the Federal Legislature. To advocate a comprehensive and liberal system of local government, with a provision for certain taxation being diverted from the State Treasury to local bodies, thus giving country and suburban electors the construction and management of their local works, without increased taxation, and with general economy to the State.

Nicholl's Tasmania Dandelion Ale is the drink of all who use this weather. Try it. Sold everywhere.—Advt.

For Children's Hacking Cough at night, Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 9d.—Advt.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

Lady Tennyson had intended returning to Melbourne to-day, but in consequence of the illness of her second son, Aubrey Tennyson, who is suffering from a mild form of scarlet fever, she has decided to remain in Adelaide for some time. Lionel and Harold Tennyson, accompanied by their tutor, left for Melbourne this afternoon.

On Saturday night a married man named J. Dunnett was driving a load of wood between Clarendon and Kangarilla when he fell from the trolley, and died from injuries received in the abdomen, probably from the kick of his horse.

NEWCASTLE.

FIRE IN HUNTER-STREET.

AN EARLY MORNING OUTBREAK.

NEWCASTLE, Monday.

Shortly before 5 o'clock this morning an outbreak of fire was discovered in a drapery establishment in Hunter-street occupied by Mr. T. H. Ingall. Senior-constable M'Kellar and Constable Murphy while walking to the police station heard a noise like glass falling, and found the portion of the premises used as the millinery department to be on fire. The establishment is a three-storey brick building consisting of two shops, one known as the millinery department and the other the clothing department. Mr. Ingall and his family, who dwell in the upper portion, were aroused, and made their escape by the back entrance. In the meantime the fire brigade had been communicated with, and detachments from the nearest volunteer stations were quickly in attendance under First Fireman Frost. The fire had by that time obtained an extensive hold on the stock in the millinery shop, but with the splendid pressure of water which was available it was smothered with one hydrant in a very short space of time, and all danger of its spreading was prevented. Practically all the stock in the millinery shop is damaged either by fire, heat, smoke, or water. The fire encroached a short distance into the clothing shop, where considerable damage has been done by smoke and water. The stock and fittings are insured in the Sun office for £3000. The building used as the millinery shop is owned by Mr. F. Alcock, of Fennant Hills, and is insured in the Alliance Insurance Company for £1500. The other shop is the property of Mrs. Maud Tighe, and is insured for £2000 in the Sun office. The total damage is estimated to run into several thousands. Constable Murphy rendered valuable assistance in checking the spread of the outbreak.

ASSAULT ON THE HIGH SEAS.

At the City Summons Court to-day, before Mr. Love, S.M., Frederick Joseph Gilmore, A.B. of the ship Glendoon, proceeded against Charles George Desmond, second mate of the vessel, for alleged unlawful assault on the high seas between Newcastle and Sydney. Mr. W. A. Reid appeared for the complainant. The defendant pleaded not guilty. The complainant stated that on the 22nd instant when his watch had been relieved he went to his bunk. Immediately afterwards the defendant used threatening language to him, caught him by the throat, and struck him along the starboard side. He gave the defendant no cause to strike him. There had been trouble on the ship since they left New York. The ship flew the British flag. Two other seamen gave corroborative evidence regarding the assault. The defendant, who declined to give evidence, was adjudged guilty and fined £2 with costs, in default 14 days' imprisonment.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The barque Excelsior, which arrived from Sydney yesterday, is to load Duckenfield coal for Honolulu. The barque Meinwen, which reached port to-day from Melbourne, is to load here for Valparaiso. The barque Pyrmont, load Duckenfield coal for Valparaiso, and the ship Desdemona, also from Melbourne, will load coal for South Africa.

The Swedish barque Norrkoping cleared at the Customs to-day for Africa with 1092 tons of East Gruta coal.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

The fortnightly meeting of the City Council was held to-night, the Mayor (Alderman Ivan) presiding. A letter was received from the Deputy Postmaster-General stating that the time of mails closing at Sydney would in future be shown on Newcastle according to local time. Mr. Scott, secretary of the Post Office, wrote, in reply to the request of the council, stating that the Postmaster-General had approved of the placing of a telephone trunk line between Sydney and Newcastle as soon as funds could be provided for the purpose.

The president of the Board of Health wrote in reference to the recent indigenous case of plague at Newcastle, advising the council to at once undertake a systematic inspection of the premises from East to West Newcastle, and that steps be taken to enforce such cleansing as may do whatever is necessary at their own cost, and if it is not properly done on notices being served, orders of the Court should be obtained. The letter specially pointed out that in the case of plague arising in Newcastle, and that no feeling of safety should be placed on the fact that no plague rat had yet been found. That all the experience in Sydney tended to show that plague is not spread by infected articles or persons as a rule, though doubtless this can happen; but if the actual source of infection in Mr. Orwell's case at the present doubtful, there is the more reason in the president's opinion for the council to take every possible precaution. The occurrence in Sydney had been the sporadic one of the first infection for from the next by a comparatively long interval of time—four or five weeks—and in the president's opinion this interval should be utilised as advised.

The Mayor stated that the letter had been acted upon. The services of an inspector had been obtained from the Board of Health at Sydney, and the council's inspectors, and a house-to-

LAW REPORT.

MONDAY, AUGUST 25.

SUPREME COURT—IN BANCO.

(Before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Cohen, and Justice Pring.)

QUESTION UNDER THE MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT.

APPLICATION FOR A PROHIBITION.

Ex parte H. L. Brown.

Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Mr. J. R. Baxter Bruce, appeared for Henry Lane Brown, master of the British registered ship Devon, and moved to make absolute a rule nisi by which C. N. Payten, S.M., and John Steel were called upon to show cause why a prohibition should not be granted to restrain respondents from further proceeding upon an order of the magistrate named. It was stated that on March 28 last Steel signed on the articles as cook on board the Devon for a voyage terminating at London. The Devon afterwards went to South Africa and returned to Sydney on Friday, June 13, en route for Brisbane. On the following Saturday Steel left the ship, and on Sunday morning between 12 and 1 o'clock the Devon resumed her voyage to Brisbane, where she had to embark a contingent for South Africa. While at Brisbane Brown received a telegram from Steel, dated June 17, in the following terms:—"Tram accident. Pay Mr. Donohue wages due to me." The master did not comply with the request, and the vessel proceeded to the Cape, and when she again returned to Sydney Steel summoned Brown under section 164 of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894 for wages alleged to be due to him. Mr. Payten, on July 18, after hearing evidence, ordered the master to pay the sum of £3 10s. 0d. wages found to be due, with £4 10s. 0d costs, in default of payment to be imprisoned in Darlinghurst Gaol with hard labour for a period of one month. Twenty-four hours were allowed for payment. The applicant now asked for a rule absolute for a prohibition, on the grounds—(1) That the magistrate had no jurisdiction under section 166 to hear and determine the matter, as it appeared from the ship's articles that Steel was to be discharged in the United Kingdom; (2) as Steel deserted from his employment in the vessel, as appeared from the log book, no wages were due to him; (3) that the magistrate had no power to order imprisonment in default of payment. Mr. Holin, instructed by Messrs. Sullivan Brothers, appeared for respondent, Steel, to oppose the application, on the grounds that the master of the vessel waived the articles, and agreed to pay respondent off at Sydney, and that the magistrate had properly decided that respondent was not a deserter though the master of the Devon entered him in the log as such at Brisbane.

The argument, which was commenced on Friday last, was now resumed and concluded.

The Acting Chief Justice said that after the master of the vessel had received a telegram from Steel asking him to pay his wages to someone in Brisbane, he manifestly looked upon him as a deserter and entered in his log book "John Steel, for being absent from his ship without leave fined £2," and on a subsequent date he entered in his log book that Steel was still absent from his ship, and being treated as a deserter. The ship's articles, under section 164 of the Merchant Shipping Act a seaman was authorised, as soon as wages became due to him, to go before a court of summary jurisdiction at or near the place where his services terminated or at which he had been discharged, and section 166 provided that where a seaman was engaged for a voyage to terminate in the United Kingdom he should not be entitled to sue for his wages in any port abroad, unless he was discharged with the written consent of the master. The question was whether Steel obtained the consent of the master of the Devon to his discharge. Steel never, apparently, desired to have the consent of the master, and never asked for it. He simply left the ship of his own free will and was not on board when the vessel sailed for Brisbane; and the opinion of the master from the first to last was that Steel had committed an offence for which he was entitled to strike his name off the articles. Not only did the entries in the log book show what was Captain Brown's view of Steel's conduct, but he obtained a certificate from the shipping master at Brisbane that Steel had deserted the ship. He therefore saw no evidence of consent, and as it was impossible to get over the terms of the 166th section, the rule nisi for prohibition must be made absolute to set aside the order of the Magistrate.

Mr. Justice Cohen said that he was of the same opinion. The written agreement provided for the termination of the voyage in the United Kingdom, but section 166 provided that where a seaman was engaged for a voyage terminating in the United Kingdom, he should not be entitled to sue for wages in any port abroad unless he was discharged with the consent of the master, or unless such illusage as might, in the opinion of the magistrates, render it dangerous for him to remain longer on board. In his opinion there was no evidence at all of a written consent on the part of the master. A consent could only be implied from the entries in the log book on June 17 and 18, and as the respondent Steel had not brought himself within the terms of sub-section 1, of section 166, of the Merchant Shipping Act the magistrate had no jurisdiction to make the order.

Mr. Justice Pring said he was of the same opinion. He thought it was clear that the entries in the log book could not be construed into a consent. The entry simply said in effect that the master struck Steel from the articles because he was a deserter.

Rule absolute for a prohibition, with costs.

(Before the Acting Chief Justice and a jury of four.)

HEARING OF JURY CAUSES.

AN EJECTMENT ACTION.

Coleman v. Plasto.

Mr. Ferguson, instructed by Messrs. Makinson and Finkett, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Peden and Mr. Mitchell, instructed by Mr. Mark Mitchell, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Thomas Coleman against Celia Bridget Plasto, of Lindfield, to recover possession of a piece of land with a butcher's shop thereon situated at Gordon-road, Lindfield, and having an area of about 11 roods with a frontage of 48ft. to Gordon-road. Plaintiff's case was that he had been in occupation of the land for over 20 years, and about three or four years ago he leased a portion of it, which then only was a butcher's shop to the defendant, Celia Bridget Plasto; and a man named Little was engaged to manage the butcher's business for her. The lease was for a period of four years at a rental of 5s per week, and one of the covants of the lease was that the defendant was not to sublet to anyone without the consent of the plaintiff. It was also a term of the lease that if the defendant carried on to the end of the lease she would be entitled to take away certain improvements that had been made on the premises. About 12 months ago defendant wished to give up the lease, but she and plaintiff failed to agree as to terms. Afterwards the business was advertised as a going concern, and Little became the purchaser, though Plasto's name was retained on the shop. Subsequently plaintiff appealed to Plasto for the payment of rent, but as he failed to obtain it from her, and was equally unsuccessful with Little, he brought the present action in order to obtain possession of the property.

The defendant's case was that the term of the lease had been tendered to plaintiff, who had refused it, and that the business was afterwards sold to Little to the knowledge of plaintiff.

The case stands part heard.

NO. 1 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Owen and a jury of 4.)

CASES POSTPONED.

By consent the cases Emu Gravel and Road Metal Company, Limited, v. Wood and Goodman and another v. O'Hare and others were adjourned till the following day: Morrison and another v. Cohen and others till Thursday next, and Brownlee v. Mount Kembla Coal and Oil Company, Limited, until the first day of next sittings. In the latter case an affidavit had been filed on behalf of the defendants, who applied for the adjournment, stating that the action, which was one to recover compensation for injuries sustained by plaintiff in the defendant's mine on the 10th instant, was brought by the negligence of the defendant's servants, came on originally in December last, and after lasting five days the jury disagreed. Since that date the disastrous explosion at the mine had occurred, in which several of the defendant's witnesses had lost their lives. The manager of the mine was detained at Wollongong at the Coroner's inquest, and would be unable to leave Wollongong for some time. His Honor in granting the adjournment made it a condition that defendants should pay the costs occasioned thereby. It added that he did not know whether there was a chance of settlement, but perhaps the unfortunate event which had happened recently might lead to an arrangement being come to.

No. 2 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Pring and a jury of four.)

CLAIM BY THE CONTINGENTS.

Howarth v. Walker.

Mr. G. H. Reid, K.C., and Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Mr. J. H. Robison, for the plaintiff: Mr. J. H. Want, K.C., Mr. R. E. O'Connor, K.C., and Mr. Delohery, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for the defendant. This was an action brought by John Howarth against Cuthbert Walker (an insolvent defendant) under the "Claims against the Government and Crown Suits Act of 1897," to recover the sum of £97 13s, being the balance alleged to be due to the plaintiff for services rendered by him to the New South Wales Government as quartermaster-sergeant and pay sergeant to the Army Medical Corps, 2nd Contingent New South Wales Mounted Rifles, while on duty in New South Wales and going to and from, and while on active service in South Africa. Plaintiff's case was that at the time he volunteered for service there were two general orders of the New South Wales military forces extant regarding the rates of pay for various ranks, which had been published prior to the first contingent of the New South Wales troops leaving for active service in South Africa, which they did on October 21, 1899. These orders were numbered respectively 107 (dated October 21, 1899), and 112 (dated October 27, 1899); and they were published for "general information." In both these orders the rates of pay were specifically at 6st. and 4st. were signed by the Premier as Minister for Defence, and the rates there stated included staff-sergeants, 6s 6d per day, with 3s 6d per day deferred pay, in all 10s. The scale of pay according to the plaintiff's contention was practically that recommended by a conference of the various State commandants prior to the enrolment of the first contingent, and at that time there was practically nothing known of any Imperial pay to "overseas colonials." Before leaving South Africa the plaintiff received the full amount of his Imperial pay, together with an amount equivalent to 60 days' pay to cover his return to the State. Plaintiff contended that the Government now attempted to set up a private agreement with the Imperial Government by which the New South Wales Government claimed the right to deduct from the men and officers the amounts they were supposed to have received during their term of service in South Africa, but orders 107 and 112 of 1899 entirely omitted any mention of any deduction of Imperial or any pay. The question was, did the contract of the Government bind them to pay the full sum of 10s per day to the plaintiff, irrespective of any Imperial pay received in South Africa, seeing that the cablegram accepting colonial contingents stated that the men would be paid Imperial pay while in South Africa, or was the general order only a guarantee by the New South Wales Government to make the total up to the rates as set out in the orders. According to the plaintiff's case any understanding between the local and Imperial Governments should have been disclosed at the time of enrolment and made known to the men.

The defendant pleaded never indebted and payment.

At the close of the plaintiff's case Mr. Want suggested that a formal verdict should be taken, and that leave should be reserved to either side to submit the matters in dispute to the Full Court. To this course, however, Mr. Reid would not consent, as he preferred that the case should go to the jury.

Mr. Want then moved for a nonsuit, and said that as it was admitted on behalf of plaintiff that he had received from the Imperial Government, and the documents showed that the Imperial Government were simply the agents of the New South Wales Government for the purposes of this contingent, the defendant was not liable; and it did not matter whether the plaintiff knew that the Imperial Government was so acting or not. He also stated that a sum of about £40,000 depended upon the issue now in dispute.

His Honor: There is no evidence before me that the Imperial Government knew when they were paying these men that they were doing so as agents of the New South Wales Government.

Mr. Want submitted that general orders 107 and 112 showed that.

His Honor: The Imperial Government, as far as I can see, did not know what the Government here were going to pay, or whether they were going to pay anything.

Mr. Want: We say that there is sufficient evidence before your Honour to show that the Government here had a right to treat the money paid by the Imperial Government as a payment made on our account.

Mr. Reid: I will not trouble your Honor with argument, because I think it is clear that our case must be left to the jury. I submit clear that our case was to be paid by our Government quite irrespective of the Imperial Government.

By direction of his Honor the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of £97 13s, leave being reserved to the defendant to move the Full Court to have the verdict set aside, and a nonsuit or verdict for the defendant entered.

ACTION FOR ALLEGED SLANDER.

Wood v. Bennett.

Mr. Gannon and Mr. James, instructed by Mr. G. C. Murdoch, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Kelynack and Mr. Blacket, instructed by Mr. J. W. Abigail, for the defendant. This was an action brought by Arthur Charles Jackson Wood against Ernest Cecil Bennett for alleged slander. Plaintiff's case was that he entered into an agreement with defendant and John Thomas Holland to find a sufficient sum of money to patent in the names of three persons mentioned in the agreement an invention known as the "Holberwood motor," whereupon plaintiff was to receive a one-third share of the invention, and all the profits arising therefrom. It was further agreed that no party to the agreement was to divulge the secret of the patent. Plaintiff took certain steps to patent the invention, and paid certain sums of money for that purpose, and made application for provisional protection in England and America, and such applications were signed by the parties to the agreement. The secret of the invention was not made known to plaintiff after by defendant or Holland. Disputes afterwards arose between plaintiff and defendant as to the agreement, and the defendant alleged that certain persons had conspired to steal a bottle of the liquid or compound being part of the secret of the invention. Subsequently, according to the plaintiff's case, the defendant charged him with being mixed up in the conspiracy, also that plaintiff had forged his name in connection with applications for provisional protection in England and America. He also charged plaintiff with being concerned in attempting to set fire to defendant's premises. Plaintiff said that his reputation had been seriously injured by the slanders complained of, and he claimed £10,000 damages.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

The case stands part heard.

IN EQUITY.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge.)

BARRETT v. HASSALL AND ANOTHER.

Mr. Arkins, with him Mr. Waddell, instructed by Messrs. Ellis and Button (agents for Mr. J. A. Gorrick, of Newcastle), appeared for the plaintiff; and Michael Joseph Barrett: Mr. Levy-rier, with him Mr. Clunes, instructed by Mr. Henry Dawson, appeared for the defendants, Rowland Hassall and Edmund Molyneaux Royds. The plaintiff's case was that 133 acres of land situated in the parish of Beadadale, near Braidwood, had been mortgaged for £100 in 1885 by the defendant John Barrett, to the defendant Rowland Hassall and Thomas John Roberts (the latter is now deceased). The mortgagor died, and left the property to his widow, Mary Barrett, who by her will left it to the plaintiff. Plaintiff alleged that the defendants had acquired the position of mortgagees, sold the property in 1901 to a man named Richard Kennedy for £150 without giving the plaintiff notice, and that this sum did not represent the true value of it, and he charged that defendants did not exercise due care or diligence in effecting the sale, as it was carried out at a gross under valuation, for a much larger sum could have been obtained for it. He asked the Court to ascertain the reasonable value of the land, and that accounts should be taken of what was due or owing between the parties. The defence was that repeated applications had been made to plaintiff for payment of the amounts due, and that he had ample notice that defendants would exercise their powers of sale, and that the sum for which the land was sold for represented the true value of the land.

The case is part heard.

DIVORCE COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson, Judge in Divorce.)

WEST v. WEST.

The petitioner, Ada West, formerly Brennan, asked for a dissolution of her marriage with Patrick West, a miner, on the grounds of desertion and cruelty. The parties were married according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, at Adelong, in 1881, and lived together until 1891, when her husband left his employment and went to Peak Hill. He remained away for two years. During the first six months he sent her money, and subsequently returned to her for three months. During this portion of time, although he was in work, he did not give her any money, and finally, five years ago, he left her. Since then she had supported herself and family by laundry and needle-work.

His Honor found the issue of desertion proved, and granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months.

HILLS v. HILLS.

The petitioner, Henry Charles Hills, a coal lumper, sought for a dissolution of his marriage with Florence Hills, formerly Austin, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married according to the rites of the Congregational Church, at Surry Hills, in 1889. There was no appearance for the respondent. His Honor having heard the evidence, granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months.

BAXTER v. BAXTER.

Annie Baxter, formerly Cooper, sought for a dissolution of her marriage with John Baxter on the ground of adultery. There was no appearance on behalf of the respondent. The case for the petitioner was that the parties were married at Manly in 1891, according to the rites of the Presbyterian Church. Respondent was a cab driver, but latterly followed the trade of a carpenter. Prior to that a woman came to live with them. Petitioner spoke to him about the condition of this woman, and he admitted that he had misconducted himself with her.

His Honor granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months.

LANCE v. LANCE.

The petitioner, Charles George Lance, asked for a dissolution of his marriage with Jessie Lance, formerly M'Kenzie, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married at Marrickville in 1889 according to the rites of the Baptist Church.

After evidence of the petitioner his Honor deferred the further hearing till Friday.

PARTRIDGE v. PARTRIDGE.

The petitioner, Margaret Partridge, formerly Cameron, asked for a dissolution of her marriage with Charles Edward Partridge on the ground of bigamy, with adultery with one Bridget Condon. The parties were married in 1886 according to the rites of the Church of England. The evidence of the petitioner was to the effect that four months after marriage they moved to Queensland, and in 1896 returned to Sydney. After remaining in Sydney three weeks she went to her father's house, staying there for 18 months. The arrangement being that she should stay there till her husband, who was a printer, could get a home for her. When she saw him again in Sydney he admitted having been married to another woman for eight months. He asked her not to prosecute him. On subsequently, however, he had him plead guilty to a charge of bigamy.

His Honor granted a rule nisi, returnable in three months.

HEUSTON v. HEUSTON.

The petitioner Annie Heuston asked for a dissolution of her marriage with the respondent, Thomas Edward Heuston, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married at Weldon's Agency, Sydney, according to the rites of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1897. The evidence of the petitioner was to the effect that she met the respondent at a picnic, and was married to him three days afterwards. He told her that he was a stock and share broker. She never lived with him, and the day after marriage he left for New Guinea, telling her that he would write to her, also that he would be back in a few months, and would then make a home for her. She went back to her parents. She never got any letter from him. Subsequently she wrote to an official at New Guinea and obtained certain information, and later she met the respondent by chance in Sydney, and asked why he had not written. He replied that he had been ill in hospital nearly the whole time he was in New Guinea. Next day they met by appointment, and he told her that he was going to try to get something to do, and would get a home for her. They made an appointment to meet again on the following day, and she kept it, but he did not. She had not seen or heard of him since.

His Honor said he was of opinion that the petitioner had been deserted; but he was not satisfied regarding the respondent's domicile, and therefore would allow the matter to stand over.

ELLIS v. ELLIS.

The petitioner, John Mayne Ellis, asked for a dissolution of his marriage with Sarah Jane Ellis, on the ground of adultery with James Smith, who was joined as co-respondent. The marriage took place at Broken Hill in 1891 according to the rites of the Primitive Methodist Church. The evidence for the petitioner was to the effect that his wife threatened his life, and he was obliged to leave her, but he continued to support her and visited his children two or three times a week. In March of this year he heard something which caused him to watch her house. One night he saw Smith enter, and when he broke open the door he found the co-respondent and his wife together. The co-respondent said to him: "Don't mention this, Jack."

His Honor found the issues in favour of the petitioner, and granted a decree nisi returnable in three months, the co-respondent to pay the petitioner's costs of the suit.

BUCHANAN v. BUCHANAN.

The petitioner, Lavinia Buchanan, formerly Nelson, asked for a dissolution of her marriage with Alexander Buchanan, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married at Sydney in 1893, according to the rites of the Congregational Church. The evidence of the petitioner was to the effect that shortly after the marriage her husband told her that he was going to the country to better himself. He went away and did not return till 1899. During the time he was away he sent her about £5. On his return he said it would be better for her to get a situation, as things were bad for him, and shortly afterwards he went to Western Australia, returning in the following July. He left for the country again, and the next thing she received a letter from him in the name of Alfred Nelson, in which he said that he was going to Queensland, that he had got into a bad scrape, but "would stick to her." He enjoined her to use the name Nelson, as he was going by it till his trouble blew over, and she answered his letter using the same name, but had not received any reply.

His Honor granted a decree nisi returnable in six months.

SCOTT v. SCOTT.

The petitioner, James Scott, barrister-at-law, asked for a dissolution of his marriage with Lydia Gwendoline Winifred Scott, formerly Stewart, a widow, on the ground of desertion. The parties were married by the registrar at Hackney, London, in 1884. The evidence of the petitioner was to the effect that he was a teacher in London. He received an appointment to Queensland, coming out to take up his duties at Croydon in 1895. He was admitted to the bar in Sydney. He had spoken to his wife on one occasion in Queensland about her conduct with another man, and she threatened to leave him if he did not allow her to do as she liked. She came to Sydney and he followed her, and in an interview with him she said she was going to live an independent life, teaching music and dancing. She refused to come back to him and afterwards went to Melbourne.

His Honor granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months.

LEETE v. LEETE.

The petitioner, Eliza Annie Leete, asked for a dissolution of her marriage with William Leete on the ground of desertion. The parties were married at Sydney according to the rites of the Church of England in 1893.

After hearing the petitioner's evidence his Honor granted a decree nisi, returnable in three months.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. A. Henry.)

HEARING OF CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Learmouth, Dickenson, and Co. v. Mary Dignam. On the motion of Mr. Lasker, counsel for the petitioning creditors, leave was given for the withdrawal of the petition.

Tooth and Co., Limited, v. O. G. Sharp. The Registrar found that the act of bankruptcy was noncompliance with the bankruptcy notice served on August 6 and made a sequestration order accordingly.

MOTION FOR RELEASE.

Re Henry John Fenwick. On the motion of Mr. Minter, solicitor for the bankrupt, the matter was adjourned until September 1.

MEETINGS AND EXAMINATIONS.

Re Emily Mary Rose. The meeting was closed and the examination declared concluded.

Re Robert Falconer. The section 30 examination was adjourned until the 27th instant on the application of the official assignee.

Re Isaac Rogers. Three witnesses were examined by the official assignee, on whose application the matter was adjourned until the 28th instant.

Re Haralupos Comoso. On the application of the official assignee the matter was adjourned until the 28th instant.

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Thomas Scott and Margaret Scott, trading as "Mungo Scott and Co.," of Sydney, versus R. W. Pearson, of Darling-street, Balmain, baker. Hearing, 27th instant.

James Struthers and Co., Limited (in liquidation), versus Austin George Allen, of Warren, builder, contractor, and undertaker. Hearing, September 1.

SEQUESTRATION ORDER.

Marcus William Abrahams, of Moss Vale, labourer. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

DARLING HARBOUR RESUMPTIONS COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Walker and Judges Murray and Backhouse.)

GILLESPIE AND ANOTHER v. THE MINISTER FOR WORKS.

The Anchor Flour Mills.

Mr. Reid, K.C., Dr. Sly, and Mr. G. E. Rich, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Russell, appeared for the claimants. John William Gillespie and another: Mr. George Gillespie: and Mr. Pilcher, K.C., Mr. R. E. O'Connor, K.C., Mr. C. B. Stephen, and Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for the defendant. This was a claim against the Government to recover £343,360 13s 1d for compensation by the Minister for Works of claimants' property known as the Anchor Flour Mille, at the foot of Bathurst-street, Darling Harbour. The Government valuation was £70,000.

When the case was called on Mr. Reid informed the Court that the matter had been settled on terms that would be filed in court later on. He went on to say that the agreement arrived at had been that a verdict should be entered up for the claimants in regard to the value of the property for £61,250, a set party to pay its own costs, and for the claim for disturbance and the removal of the business, that matter had been settled by the issue of a satisfactory lease to the claimants.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Cohen, President.)

APPLICATION FOR CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION.

This was an appeal by the United Labourers' Protective Society of New South Wales against the decision of the Registrar under the Act refusing to make application to the Court for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union of New South Wales. The grounds for appeal were chiefly as follow:—The United Labourers' Protective Society of New South Wales is entitled to sole registration as embracing the trade or calling of builders' labourers; that the Builders' Labourers' Union of New South Wales is not a bona-fide trade union or representative body of the trade or calling of builders' labourers, and its continued registration is a menace to the interests of the United Labourers' Protective Society of New South Wales; that the reason given by the Registrar (in a letter addressed to the secretary of the United Labourers' Protective Society) that the present constitution of the United Labourers' Protective Society is not such as to ensure that the interests of the Builders' Labourers' Union will be safeguarded and furthered, is unwarrantable by fact and merit without knowledge of the procedure governing the interests of each and every member of the United Labourers' Protective Society; that the Registrar was in error in refusing to cancel the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union.

Mr. J. P. Cochrane (president) appeared for the United Protective Labourers' Society, and Mr. George Wallace (Messrs. Wallace and Son) for the Builders' Labourers' Union.

The Registrar, Mr. A. Henry, C. A. Addison, in giving his reasons for refusing to apply for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union, stated that from the correspondence and affidavits put before him he gathered that the protest was based on the ground that the United Labourers' Protective Society was the first established; that it had always and still represented the class of persons known as builders' labourers; and that the existence of two unions of a similar nature would confuse matters in case of an industrial dispute. If he found that all these grounds were established, he would probably have applied for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union, for it appeared to him that although the union was actually registered before the rules of the United Labourers' Society, he should still apply the principle put forward by him, and affirmed by the Court of Arbitration in the case of the Australian Workers' Union against the Machine Shearers' Union, namely, that separate registration he should not be allowed to two unions embracing the same class of industry and workers within the same geographical area, unless the members of one union could not conveniently belong to the other. He did not, however, find that all these grounds were substantiated. He found that the builders' labourers were persons who were engaged chiefly in constructive work, who possessed a certain acquired skill, and who, as a rule, earned somewhat higher wages than other labourers. The builders' labourers who belonged to the United Labourers' Protective Society did not number more than about 300 persons, according to the above definition. Other labourers in the same society numbered 800 or 900. This preponderance in the society of members following distinct occupations, in his opinion, showed that it did not really represent a builders' labourers, and that its constitution at present was not such as to ensure that the interests of the latter class would be safeguarded and furthered.

After argument his Honor stated that he concurred with the decision of the Registrar. The appeal was therefore dismissed. An application made by Mr. Wallace for costs was not granted.

A BROKEN HILL DISPUTE.

Mr. Cann, M.L.A., appeared for the claimants, the Barrier branch of the Amalgamated Miners' Association of Broken Hill, and Mr. Scholes, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson and Co., for the respondents, the Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited. This was a motion in chambers to settle issues in an industrial dispute between the parties aforesaid. The issues lodged by the claimants were:—That the wages of persons connected with the works should be the rates set out in the claim; that the union's underground contract be adopted in lieu of the company's agreement; and that the times of employment shall be those set out in the statement of claim. To the first of these respondents disputed the claim and claimed that the present rates of wages should be reduced 10 per cent. The company also disputed the remainder of the items in the statement of claim.

His Honour ordered the issues to be drawn up as to all as in the wharf labourers' case; the issues to be served on the company's claim to be brought in on the common rule by claimants; and the issues to be heard at Broken Hill.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Rogers and a jury.)

Mr. John Armstrong, K.C., Crown Prosecutor.

FALSE PRETENCES.

Henry Jennings, an elderly man, pleaded not guilty to a charge of having on March 8, at Gunnedah, falsely pretended to Martin Schutz that he was then in a large way of business at Ultimo as a dealer in live kangaroos, kangarooskins, and poultry, and was then in a position to do a good trade as such dealer, and able to pay for large quantities of live kangaroos whereas the same might be delivered to him, by means of which false pretences he obtained from Schutz two tame kangaroos with intent to defraud. Mr. H. E. M'Intosh (M'Intosh and Todhunter) appeared for the defence.

The Crown case was that accused advertised in various country newspapers that he would purchase live kangaroos for cash. Martin Schutz, of Gunnedah, had two tame kangaroos which he desired to sell on account of the cost of feeding them during the drought. Seeing accused's advertisement in the Narrabri paper Schutz wrote to Jennings and negotiations for the sale of the animals to him were opened. Jennings wrote stating that he would give £4 10s for the two kangaroos, and Schutz sent them to him. Schutz received a postcard from accused in which the latter acknowledged receiving the kangaroos, and complained that they were too small, that the case they were sent in was too large, and that the freight was too heavy. Accused also wrote stating that he could not pay Schutz before a month had elapsed. Schutz had never been paid, although he had subsequently written to accused offering to take £4 by post-office order if paid at once, or £4 10s if a post-dated cheque were forwarded. Accused's address was given as Ultimo, Sydney, and accused admitted having sending boys for his letters and papers to the post-office at Ultimo. Accused also admitted that he received letters in the name of Schutzler. The kangaroos were sold by accused to Mr. Stringer, a purchaser of Australian animals, for export, for the sum of £4 10s on March 13. The kangaroos were kept with others, and upon Schutz going amongst them to identify them the two he had tamed came up to him, recognising him. The matter was placed in the hands of the police, and Detective Keating (since deceased) and Detective T. Malone endeavoured to find accused and his place of business. They found accused, and arrested him on May 15, but had not yet discovered his place of business. On being spoken to by Detective Malone accused said something, other things, "It's a civil action or none at all. I'll show you the way I've got you beaten. This is the way I do business. I advertise in the country papers, and people send their stuff to me. If I make debts it's for my creditors to come to Sydney and prosecute me civilly." Accused did not say where he carried on business, and gave the name of Schutzler. Evidence regarding other transactions of an allegedly fraudulent intent of a similar character was also tendered.

Mr. M'Intosh objected to the admission of evidence relative to the transactions which had taken place subsequently to that for which accused stood indicted.

His Honor ruled such evidence admissible so long as it referred to fase pretences of the same character as that with which accused was charged.

Evidence given by the late Detective Keating was put in. It dealt with conversations between Keating and accused.

Accused admitted having received 50 turkeys from Miss Woods, of Walcha, and 18 turkeys from Mrs. May, near Woolbrook, and having given Messrs. J. Foley and Co. an order to receive these at Darling Harbour on his behalf to sell for him. He also admitted drawing £1 on each lot of turkeys and receiving the net proceeds of the sale of both from Foley and Co.

At the conclusion of the Crown case Mr. M'Intosh submitted that there was no case to go to the jury, because kangaroos were property in law and could not be the subject of larceny. He urged that the kangaroos had not been kept for food, but were naturally wild animals, which in this case had been tamed for pleasure by Schutz.

His Honor said that in his opinion there was a case to go to the jury if that was the only objection. Kangaroos could be tamed, were fit for food (especially one part—the tail), and could be the subject of larceny. What was at present a more important matter in his Honor's mind was whether false pretences had been made out, or whether the indictment might not have been more legally drawn as larceny by trick. After perusing letters sent by accused to Schutz and asking Schutz a question his Honor found that there was a case to go to the jury, but said that he would reserve the points if desired.

For the defence accused made a statement to the effect that he had made no false pretence wittingly, and that he intended to pay the people who had claims against him.

The jury, after a short retirement, returned a verdict of guilty. Mr. M'Intosh asked that prisoner might be dealt with as a first offender. His Honor said he could not look upon prisoner's crime as one of sudden temptation, but as one of design. The poor people in the country had been victimised. A sentence of imprisonment with hard labour for 12 months was imposed.

The Court adjourned to the following day.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Tuesday, August 26.

Banco Court, St. James'-road, Sydney.—At 10 a.m.: Coleman v. Little and another, part heard. At 10.30 a.m.: Vosburgh and another v. Diprose. Motion and hearing. Before a Judge in Banco Court (except those engaged in the above part-heard case) need not attend until 10.30 a.m.

No. 1 Jury Court, King-street, Sydney.—Emu Gravel and Road Metal Company, Limited, v. Gibson, Goodman and another v. O'Hare and others, Rabe v. Linsley.

No. 2 Jury Court, King-street, Sydney.—Wood v. Bennett (part heard); Hoe v. Lee. New Imperial Standard Gold Mining Company, N.L., v. Allen.

In the Supreme Court, New South Wales, Monday, the 25th day of August, A.D. 1902.—I order that the case of Fedrana versus Dowse and another, set down for hearing in No. 2 Jury Court, Wednesday, the 27th day of August, be set down for hearing in the last-mentioned Court for Friday, the twenty-ninth day of August instant.—Robert D. Pring, J.

In Chambers before the Deputy Judge Commissary at 10 a.m., in No. 1 Jury Court.—For judgment: Brown and another v. the ship Beech Holm.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy-Registrar.—Hart v. the Minister, 10.30; Bowden Brothers and Co., Limited, v. Imperial Marine Company, Limited, 11 o'clock; Howard v. Howard, 12.30. Before the Registrar.—Howard, 2.30. Before the Chief Clerk.—Mayor v. Foldard, 10.30.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Nicolle v. Smith, motion for injunction; Australian Brewery and Wine and Spirit Company v. Creamer, motion for injunction; re G. S. Collins and others, Companies Act, 1901, summons for maintenance; Horne v. Brown, summons for leave to amend. At 10.45 a.m.: Barrett v. Russell (part heard). Master's Chambers.—At 10 a.m.: Equity causes for short matters. At 12 noon: Lane v. Thrush, for directions, &c. At 2 p.m.: Other v. Barker and others, to settle minutes of order; Cooper and another v. Cooper and another and H.F. Act, &c., to settle minutes of order; King Conrad Silver and Lead Mining Company, to settle minutes of order; the Australian Coachmakers' Protective Society of New South Wales is entitled to sole registration as embracing the trade or calling of builders' labourers; that the Builders' Labourers' Union of New South Wales is not a bona-fide trade union or representative body of the trade or calling of builders' labourers, and its continued registration is a menace to the interests of the United Labourers' Protective Society of New South Wales; that the reason given by the Registrar (in a letter addressed to the secretary of the United Labourers' Protective Society) that the present constitution of the United Labourers' Protective Society is not such as to ensure that the interests of the Builders' Labourers' Union will be safeguarded and furthered, is unwarrantable by fact and merit without knowledge of the procedure governing the interests of each and every member of the United Labourers' Protective Society; that the Registrar was in error in refusing to cancel the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union.

Mr. J. P. Cochrane (president) appeared for the United Protective Labourers' Society, and Mr. George Wallace (Messrs. Wallace and Son) for the Builders' Labourers' Union.

The Registrar, Mr. A. Henry, C. A. Addison, in giving his reasons for refusing to apply for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union, stated that from the correspondence and affidavits put before him he gathered that the protest was based on the ground that the United Labourers' Protective Society was the first established; that it had always and still represented the class of persons known as builders' labourers; and that the existence of two unions of a similar nature would confuse matters in case of an industrial dispute. If he found that all these grounds were established, he would probably have applied for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union, for it appeared to him that although the union was actually registered before the rules of the United Labourers' Society, he should still apply the principle put forward by him, and affirmed by the Court of Arbitration in the case of the Australian Workers' Union against the Machine Shearers' Union, namely, that separate registration he should not be allowed to two unions embracing the same class of industry and workers within the same geographical area, unless the members of one union could not conveniently belong to the other. He did not, however, find that all these grounds were substantiated. He found that the builders' labourers were persons who were engaged chiefly in constructive work, who possessed a certain acquired skill, and who, as a rule, earned somewhat higher wages than other labourers. The builders' labourers who belonged to the United Labourers' Protective Society did not number more than about 300 persons, according to the above definition. Other labourers in the same society numbered 800 or 900. This preponderance in the society of members following distinct occupations, in his opinion, showed that it did not really represent a builders' labourers, and that its constitution at present was not such as to ensure that the interests of the latter class would be safeguarded and furthered.

After argument his Honor stated that he concurred with the decision of the Registrar. The appeal was therefore dismissed. An application made by Mr. Wallace for costs was not granted.

A BROKEN HILL DISPUTE.

Mr. Cann, M.L.A., appeared for the claimants, the Barrier branch of the Amalgamated Miners' Association of Broken Hill, and Mr. Scholes, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson and Co., for the respondents, the Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited. This was a motion in chambers to settle issues in an industrial dispute between the parties aforesaid. The issues lodged by the claimants were:—That the wages of persons connected with the works should be the rates set out in the claim; that the union's underground contract be adopted in lieu of the company's agreement; and that the times of employment shall be those set out in the statement of claim. To the first of these respondents disputed the claim and claimed that the present rates of wages should be reduced 10 per cent. The company also disputed the remainder of the items in the statement of claim.

His Honour ordered the issues to be drawn up as to all as in the wharf labourers' case; the issues to be served on the company's claim to be brought in on the common rule by claimants; and the issues to be heard at Broken Hill.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Rogers and a jury.)

Mr. John Armstrong, K.C., Crown Prosecutor.

FALSE PRETENCES.

Henry Jennings, an elderly man, pleaded not guilty to a charge of having on March 8, at Gunnedah, falsely pretended to Martin Schutz that he was then in a large way of business at Ultimo as a dealer in live kangaroos, kangarooskins, and poultry, and was then in a position to do a good trade as such dealer, and able to pay for large quantities of live kangaroos whereas the same might be delivered to him, by means of which false pretences he obtained from Schutz two tame kangaroos with intent to defraud. Mr. H. E. M'Intosh (M'Intosh and Todhunter) appeared for the defence.

The Crown case was that accused advertised in various country newspapers that he would purchase live kangaroos for cash. Martin Schutz, of Gunnedah, had two tame kangaroos which he desired to sell on account of the cost of feeding them during the drought. Seeing accused's advertisement in the Narrabri paper Schutz wrote to Jennings and negotiations for the sale of the animals to him were opened. Jennings wrote stating that he would give £4 10s for the two kangaroos, and Schutz sent them to him. Schutz received a postcard from accused in which the latter acknowledged receiving the kangaroos, and complained that they were too small, that the case they were sent in was too large, and that the freight was too heavy. Accused also wrote stating that he could not pay Schutz before a month had elapsed. Schutz had never been paid, although he had subsequently written to accused offering to take £4 by post-office order if paid at once, or £4 10s if a post-dated cheque were forwarded. Accused's address was given as Ultimo, Sydney, and accused admit

THE MAN OF THE HOUR.

BY SIR WILLIAM MAGNAY, BART.

CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

Presently it occurred to her that she had forgotten to ask her father, as she had intended, which of the several engagements for that evening he cared to keep. She ran down to the study. Herridge was there alone. He rose as he saw her in the doorway.

"Oh, don't let me disturb you, Mr. Herridge," she said brightly. "I was looking for my father."

"Mr. Tressingham has just left the house. He has gone to the Carlton. Is it anything I can do for you?"

"Oh no, thank you," she answered. "It was only about the places we have to go to to-night. Thank goodness we dine at home."

"I am glad you do."

She had come into the room and stood leaning over the high back of a chair.

"Yes, poor father looks fagged this evening. I want him to take it easily for once and go to bed early."

"It would be a good plan. This business of the battleship entails a deal of work. I save him as much as I can."

"I am sure you do," she assented, with a look that had more than gratitude in it.

"It is extraordinary," he said, "how these hide-bound Government officials throw as many difficulties in the way of the nation's receiving a magnificent gift like your father's as they might if he were actually trying to get something out of them. If it were not for the First Lord and the Prime Minister, who have had the decency to express a little gratitude, one might think that the Admiralty was conferring the greatest favour in accepting the ship."

Her little laugh died away into seriousness.

"Father and I have been talking," she said. "He was telling me that there may be a great honour in store for him."

"They are as certain as they are well deserved."

"I suppose so," she said with a half-sigh.

He drew a little nearer to her.

"Does the prospect make you sad?"

"No," she answered, not very convincingly. "Why should it?"

"I thought—perhaps I hoped so," he plied in a low voice.

She was looking away from him, at the glimpse of sky over the stained glass of the lower window.

"How can I ever be sad at the success of the best of fathers?"

"How should you?" he assented readily.

"Yet you said you hoped it."

"Selfishly; but can I help that?" he said with a tremor in his voice. "Does not every upward step your father takes leave me at the greater distance below—below you?"

He spoke with great restraint, almost sadly, punctiliously resolute to take no advantage of the understanding she allowed to exist between them; for the love had sprung up mutually, and grown till it was past the pretence of ignoring. But its future? That was another thing.

"But you will rise too," she said hopefully. "Your time is coming."

"If you would only look back and beckon me!" The restraint to which he had so dutifully schooled himself failed him now. "If we could only climb the mountain hand-in-hand! Lilian! I must speak out. I know I have no right but that which you give me, and I should never have dared to tell you how I love you had I not felt that you cared for me a little. Lilian, tell me you do."

The hand resting on the back of the chair moved towards him a little way, and yet it bridged the world's miles between them. He caught it up and kissed it in a passion of joy.

"Lilian darling, tell me—"

His arm was round her now as he whispered.

"Tell you—what?"

"Say, 'Roland, I love you.'"

The words came murmured back to him, and with the last their lips met.

"And you will be my wife?"

A little whisper. "Yes."

"Darling!" He kissed her again. "Then I shall climb that hill and never tire. You shall not have to stoop. How should I falter, sweet one, when your hand is held out to me? You are mine—my own!"

"Yours."

The inevitable cloud swept across the sun.

"Ah, Lily," he said between joy and despondency, "what madness this is! I reckon without your father."

"But," she returned with a brave hope that surmounted misgiving, "you reckon with me."

"My own Lily!" The sun could only struggle fitfully through that cloud. He knew the world better than she. "He will never sanction this. He has other plans for you. Has he not?" he demanded, for she was silent.

"And if he has, am I to have no say in them?"

"Ah! But he will say—he will tell you it is impossible, outrageous."

"And," she rejoined bravely, "if he does I shall tell him—"

"What?"

"That my heart is given to Roland Herridge."

"My brave darling! You will be true to me?"

It was surely not for him to scruple now.

"I promise you." And the promise was sealed.

"I have often thought," he said, "what madness it has been for me to aspire to you—to you, who might marry any man in the kingdom. How selfish I was to dream of asking you to be my wife! how impudent to imagine you could ever think of poor me as I thought of you! how wrong and unkind I should be to try and snatch you from your brilliant future, to stand between you and the sun which your father's work and genius have made to shine for you, and to dare hope that you would be content to stay for ever in the shade for me! Ah! and I had almost given you up, for I resolved with all the strength that was in me to hope no more for the impossible. My love was too true to be selfish, and so you should never guess how I felt towards you. It was a hard struggle. Yes, Lily, if you knew how I loved you, you might guess how desperately, cruelly, hard."

"Poor Roland!" she said caressingly. "And it was for my sake. I shall love you all the more for that."

"Darling! And then one day, when the fight was at its fiercest, I saw something—in your eyes, Lily—something that overmastered me and my resolutions in a moment, and took from me all the strength to resist longer. It was love. Oh, I cannot describe the delight that filled me, the thrill of the knowledge that you loved me, and loved me in spite of my care to prevent it."

"Sometimes," said she, "I wondered if you cared for me after all, and often told myself you did not, and that my love was thrown away."

"Ah, if you had known" he returned fondly. "Still, in my happiness—such happiness!—there would have come the thought that you were so high above me; how could I dare to tell you of my love, even though it were returned? If love, even though it were returned, only I could get a chance of serving you, of gaining the right to place myself by your side before the world, to be your protector without the shadow of a suspicion of an unworthy motive! To win you, my darling, by wealth and position and honour as well as love! Perhaps it may come yet."

"Is there need of that?" she said. "Ah, Roland, the world is so hard, the fight so cruel. What more can I ask than that you should be honourable, true, and brave? And I know you are all these, though fate should never give you an opportunity of proving it."

"I will be worthy of you, Lilian."

"You must let me go now," she said. "Father will be coming back soon, and if he found me here . . . you know he already suspects. I am sure of it. I hate to deceive him, and that is difficult enough. He is so sharp and clever, he knows everything, he can read men's minds like an open book."

With a last kiss they parted. As Lilian crossed the hall, Tressingham came in.

"I have been looking for you, father," she said, and proceeded to discuss the evening's arrangements. But he was not deceived; the book wherein he read the situation was printed in the clearest of type.

She went upstairs, and he turned into the study, hesitating a moment, as though in thought, before opening the door.

"I am going to give you a half-holiday this evening, Herridge," he said pleasantly. "If you care to make use of our stalls at the opera, do; Marras sings to-night in 'Faust.'"

"You are very kind, sir," Herridge replied; "but I have yet a couple of hours' work."

"Nothing that won't keep till to-morrow." Tressingham returned decisively. "We are really working too hard, and the habit grows. Now be off, and get an early dinner and enjoy your evening. If anything of vital importance turns up, I will look to it myself."

Herridge knew from his manner that he meant his suggestion to be followed, so with a word of thanks he went off, and to become subsequently the most bored man in the opera house.

(To be continued.)

DROUGHTS AND THEIR AMELIORATION.

BY W. GIBBONS COX, C.E.

Like most semi-tropical and tropical countries Australia is not exempt from occasional conditions of extreme aridity. The present abnormally prolonged drought has raised the question of an increased water supply from a matter of ordinary interest to one of very serious import, and from a local consideration it has become of acute national concern.

It is not necessary in this article to give details of the losses of live stock during the drought, nor the attendant disappointments and trials—in many cases the financial ruin—of pastoralists, nor of the misery and, it may be said, the demoralisation of the workers in the interior of the country. The public of Australia can readily conceive the effects of the serious infliction which the Government and the pastoralists are called upon to contend with both from an economical and humanitarian point of view, and the paramount question which arises in all quarters is as to how a possible recurrence of such disasters may be best combated, and their effects at least modified. There surely has never been a problem submitted to the water supply engineers of Australia that has created greater interest nor a greater amount of thought and zeal in the solution of it.

As an adequate rainfall is the only preventive of droughts, it follows that failing that direct supply artificial irrigation must be resorted to. There are three sources of supply for the purposes of irrigation, viz., that from flowing rivers, from surface catchment reservoirs, or dams thrown across the lines of creeks, and that from underground sources, popularly known as artesian supplies.

There is one large surface river system in Australia, the Darling-Murray, but it is confined to a portion only of the country. Most of the great inland pastoral plains, especially those of New South Wales and Queensland, are without permanent surface water, for although during the wet season, in flood times, the creeks become flowing rivers seepage—a great factor in results—and evaporation convert them into a chain of waterholes, the water at times of prolonged drought disappearing altogether. It follows, therefore, that in order to conserve the water which accumulates during flood times in the creeks, conservation reservoirs must be made by throwing costly embankments across the lines of the creeks, and thus penning back the water, and failing natural creek courses costly excavations must be made in the open country to impound the adjacent rainfall. To account of the large outlay necessary, to enable these reservoirs to provide against a long drought they would have to be few and far between, necessitating for the purpose of watering stock, especially sheep, travelling long distances to the detriment of the fleece, or with the alternative of extensive channelling in order to form smaller paddocks. This would induce greatly increased loss of water from seepage and evaporation, which the accumulated water collected in reservoirs during a short period only of the year could ill afford.

The last alternative supply is that from subterranean sources, which I shall endeavour to show is, so far as the artesian water-bearing areas of the country are concerned, the most feasible both in an economical and utilitarian sense. That supply does not appeal to the general observer as do great flowing rivers or lakes on the surface. A very large portion of the rain from above—the source of all supply—sinks out of sight into the earth in so imperceptible a manner that it fails to impress itself on the mind as regards quantity or other conditions. Whatever the interior of the earth may be, whether solid or fluid, or partially so, the crust is porous. Even the hardest rocks are so constituted. Granite itself has a percentage of water in its composition, although water will not pass freely through it, and in a decomposed form, as shown in the auriferous country of Western Australia, it holds large quantities of water. All the solider rocks, especially those of alluvial origin, are water-bearing. The dense, compact limestones frequently hold great quantities of water in cavities and cavernous galleries, formed by the decomposition of parts of the formation by the action of acids in water flowing from the surface. The numerous and successive layers of alluvial strata, the sands and gravels interspersed with clay are, as a rule, full of water.

Very little of the crust of the earth is, in fact, impermeable to water, whether it be by absorption or by its own pressure from above. What may be the actual quantity of water contained in the earth's crust must remain an unsolved problem. That it is enormous is certain. If it could be restored to the earth's surface it would doubtless raise considerably the ocean's level, and encroach upon the coast reaches of the dry land. The passage of water into the earth's crust has been going on for ages ever since the cooling of the crust began. The water has by gravitation forced its way through the minute interstices of the strata to much lower levels than have yet been reached by man; and it moves, laterally through porous strata to great distances from the areas of original incoming surface supply. An arid surface does not imply a waterless condition below. In some of the most unpromising localities subterranean water has been found in abundance. Even under the arid surface of the African deserts, as the Sahara—the most extensive on the earth's surface—in the desert country of Southern California, and similar regions in Australia, artesian flowing water has been found to exist in incalculable quantities. Atmospheric and other conditions which have produced aridity on the surface of the land have no influence below. The rain, when once it has entered the ground is safe, it sinks vertically, and moves laterally in all directions in which it finds the strata porous enough to admit its passage. Although the surface or outcropping rock may be practically impervious to the passage of water, a porous water-bearing rock may be found below, and its water may be utilised by sinking for the supply. However dry the soil may be in one locality, or moist in another, the boring rod reveals a striking homogeneous condition in the depths of the crust. An oasis is formed in the desert wherever there is a passage upwards for the impounded waters.

Australia is fortunate in the possession of an exceptionally large development of artesian water bearing rocks, especially in South Australia, New South Wales, and Queensland. The rocks were laid down in a geological period ages ago, in the bed of a shallow quiescent ocean, that extended from the Great Australian Bight in South Australia through parts of that State, New South Wales, and Queensland, to the Gulf of Carpentaria, which divided the present continent into two islands. The strata were composed of the deposited and disintegrated material of what were formerly mountains of alpine character, of which the present ranges are insignificant remains. Atmospheric influences and heavy floods did the work, and the result has been alluvial deposits—including the artesian water-bearing rocks—of thousands of feet in thickness. Subsequent upheavals and subsidence of the earth's crust took place until the water-bearing rocks assumed the levels, contours, and other conditions of the present day.

The lower cretaceous formation has hitherto been considered the chief receptacle of artesian water, both in Europe, Africa, and America, although the presence of such waters depends, as a matter of fact, upon physical laws which have to be pressed in any geological formation provided the required conditions to impound and force it to the surface are present. According to recent geological evidence obtained by Mr. E. F. Pittman, the Government Geologist of New South Wales, from the Moree, Coonamble, and other bores made in this State, artesian water may be also obtained from the mesozoic coal measures—the triassic formation—lying below the cretaceous, and which is of the same age as the Clarence River coal measures of New South Wales, and the Ipswich beds of Queensland. In giving further on, the areas of both the cretaceous and the triassic formations it will be seen what an immense addition to the presupposed areas the latter formation implies.

Although I am strongly of opinion that the exceptionally favourable position in which Australia is placed as regards artesian resources, and the highly successful outflow which has already been obtained from them should command in itself inherent faith in their potentialities, and induce a much greater degree of enterprise than has hitherto been shown in utilising them, it may be well to briefly consider what has been accomplished in other countries, not only in producing the water on the surface, but in making the fullest use of it when it was brought there.

Without burthening this article with hackneyed figures of the really wonderful results achieved with the artesian waters in Europe, Africa, and America, it may suffice to reiterate that immense areas of country, with soils and climates similar to those of the great western plains of this country, have been for many years enormously improved by the application of such waters. Although very striking results have been obtained in Algeria, Northern Africa, on the Great Desert of Sahara especially—the fullest, most practical, and decided economic results have been obtained in America, notably in California and Texas. Thousands of wells have been made in those States alone, and thousands upon thousands of acres have been reclaimed from a desert-like condition and brought under profitable cultivation by means of artesian waters.

In studying the artesian rocks of New South Wales we came upon some astounding figures. The rocks have already been proved to exist under area of 62,000 square miles. They have a surface outcrop, or intake area, both in New South Wales (including the triassic formation) and Queensland, on the western foothills of the eastern or coastal ranges, amounting in New South Wales to 40,000 square miles, and in Queensland to 65,000 square miles, for there are no political boundaries in nature's economy. It has a truly federal organisation. The thickness of the artesian rock is not definitely known, for as soon as it is penetrated the desired flow is obtained, and further boring is considered unnecessary. In all probability it averages at least 30ft. Taking that thickness and the total area of 105,000 square miles and 2½ gallons per cubic foot as the imbibing capacity of the rock (the London artesian chalk gives 8 gallons per cubic foot), we get a bewildering arithmetical result—hundreds of thousands of billions of gallons.

To put it in another way:—

	Gallons per diem.
In New South Wales there are at the present time about 80 Government and 300 private bores with a continuous flow of	121,642,440
In Queensland there are 532 measured bores with a continuous flow of	351,226,554
Total flow per diem	472,937,994

Which, considering the enormous extent and capacity of the water-bearing rocks, is a mere bagatelle, and were the bores increased in number a thousandfold there can be no doubt whatever that the accumulation of water would more than meet the demand. So long as the rain falls this is assured, and it must be borne in mind that the annual fall over the enormous eastern intake areas, even in minimum years, is much greater than that over the artesian areas of the plains, amounting, as it does, to an average of 17 years of 26 inches, and that the rivers traverse the line of the outcrops bring down during floods immense quantities of water which sinks into the porous stratum.

We now come to the important practical question of the disposal or utilisation of the water which has been obtained. That it has been of great service to pastoralists in watering stock is freely admitted by them, the number of private bores over an immense extent of country is evidence of the necessity of the movement; but it is to be regretted that systematic efforts to make the fullest possible use of the water by irrigating a portion of their stations in order to raise fodder for stock has been neglected, and that a great portion—nearly half—of the outflow is absolutely running to waste, and this in a country crying and craving for the water necessary to produce vegetation to keep the stock alive.

The following statement will show what might be accomplished by irrigation:—

	Gallons per diem.
The present outflow is in Queensland	351,226,554
The present outflow is in New South Wales	121,642,000
	472,937,000
Allow for non-irrigable water 10 per cent.	
Allow for seepage and evaporation per diem 10 per cent.	90 per cent.—84,587,400
Water consumed per diem by sheep—New South Wales— 50,000,000	
Queensland— 22,000,000	
72,000,000 at 2gal. p. hd.	144,000,000
	238,587,400
Surplus	234,349,600

One inch of rainfall gives 22,622 gallons per acre; 30in. per annum (all rising four waterings of 5in. each) gives 543,456 gallons per acre, and 234,349,600 gallons per day would irrigate 157,926 acres with 30in. of bore water per annum, or would irrigate at the rate of 220 acres at each of the 636 bores now upon.

From the above figures it will be seen that as to the quantity of water hitherto produced on the surface and that lying in the ground at disposal there can be no reasonable doubt. The next consideration is as to quality. On account of it being impregnated more or less with the chemical constituents of the earth it is not claimed that all artesian water is adapted for all purposes—that cannot be said even of river supplies—but nearly all of it is good potable water both for man and beast; some is adapted to one kind of crop and some to another. The fact that wheat alone most successful results have followed the use of it (as at the Government Pera bore, in the Bourke district) should settle the question as to its adaptability for irrigation in raising crops. Failures have taken place elsewhere, but they were due to a want of correct knowledge of the quality of the water and the soil, and of the application of the water. Irrigation from bore water in this country is, as yet, in the experimental stage, and it can be truly said that of it only the application of scientific agricultural and engineering advice. No irrigation should be started unless by the advice of experts after full analyses of the water and the soil. In that highly scientific and progressive country, America, it took time to accustom the people to irrigation. Now it has been reduced in that country—especially that from artesian supplies—to a science, the most careful and thorough analyses being made of all the conditions encountered. The success on a very large scale, in California especially, have been in fact phenomenal. In this connection there is one special feature, that is that the excess of deleterious carbonate of soda is much greater in America than here, and the small amount of chloride of sodium (the other deleterious ingredient) is also most notable in this country. Scientific evidence has been officially given that "generally speaking the artesian waters of New South Wales compare very favourably with those in other parts of the world, for example with the artesian water used in the United States of America and in Algeria." I believe that with a greatly increased number of bores the water would become even better, as there would be a greater influx of rain water to supply the place of that outflowing. If the pumping artesian waters I have indicated were in the hands of agriculturists—men who are used to the steady, plodding work of agriculture—a full use would soon be made of them. From being accustomed to a lighter and more active occupation, station hands fight shy of ploughing and the more laborious work of agriculture. If a compromise could be arrived at, if some arrangement could be made by which the agriculturist could acquire the use of a few hundred acres on the station, with the use of the irrigation water from a bore, and thereby raise fodder, such as lucerne, for stock, it would not only benefit the pastoralists, and obviate the necessity of spending such large sums of money as they are now doing for imported fodder, but lead the way to a greater utilisation of the water, and establish the business of irrigation in this country on a systematic basis.

The following is an estimate of the cost of a bore, and irrigation for 500 acres:—

Cost of bore	£3,000
Laying out and irrigation	500
	£3,500 at 5 p.c. per annum £150
Interest on cost of irrigation plant	10
Wages	52
	£212

Bore giving 1,000,000 gallons per diem, plus natural rainfall, will irrigate, at the rate of 1 cubic foot per second, 500 acres—8d per acre per annum; the cost in America being from 12s to 13s per acre.

America should prove an object lesson, and it is to be regretted that our leading pastoralists have not seen their way to send a special commissioner there to report upon irrigation for fodder crops, and thus remove from their minds any possible doubt or apathy on the subject. As one of the pioneers of the movement for artesian supplies in Australia (1877), with a previous experience of some years of artesian boring and irrigation in America, I can speak with confidence. It took years of advocacy by us before the deeper artesian water was obtained in Australia; but surely now that it has been placed on the land it should be utilised to its fullest capacity. Looked at from an engineering and utilitarian point of view, there is certainly no philosophical reason whatever for the waste. There is the water, and very much more is obtainable, at the lowest possible cost of supply, from the source whence it came. To fail to exact the maximum service from such an endowment, in the face of the losses and misery of the present drought, is, to say the least, explicable on no other grounds than lamentable ignorance of, or apathy concerning, its value.

*In a recent report to Lord Milner, by Mr. W. Wilcocks, C.E., of the Indian and Egyptian Irrigation Services, on irrigation for South Africa, nothing short of an expenditure of 30 millions sterling is advised. Neither in India, where a like amount has been expended by the Government on irrigation, nor in South Africa, have sufficient surveys been made to prove the existence or not of artesian rocks, the result being that part of the comparatively costly irrigation works from river supply may be constructed over actual artesian country. Such might have been the case in Australia if thorough geological surveys and test borings had not been made here.

NEW SOUTH WALES CHAMBER OF MINES.

DEPUTATION TO MINISTER FOR MINES.

A deputation consisting of Messrs. Harris Wood (vice-president), R. V. Saddington, T. Parton, W. Grosse, D. K. Blair, J. T. Poole, G. Smith, W. E. H. Nicolle, and R. J. Etheridge, representing the New South Wales Chamber of Mines, waited upon the Minister for Mines yesterday in order to place before him certain suggestions regarding the amendment of the Mines Inspection Act of 1901.

Mr. Harne Wood, in introducing the deputation, said it was laid down in the Act that certificates as mine managers would be granted to applicants who had had 12 months' experience in managing a mine at any time within five years prior to the date of application. Such a restriction was found to exclude men of good reputation as mine managers, and it was against the interests of the State that a man competent to manage a mine should be excluded from getting a certificate. During the five years prior to the Act coming into operation some of these mine managers had been engaged in other States. They would be unable to get certificates except by examination, and many good practical men were unable to pass the examination, although they would have been able to when they were younger. The result was that the scope within which owners of a mine could choose their manager was limited by the operation of the Act. Some of the deputation were in favour of extending the time to 10 years instead of five, but for himself he thought it would be best to have no limit.

The Minister: Then you would take that provision out? He thought it reasonable that the time should be extended, but a mine manager who had been engaged in other parts for 12 months ought to be well up in the developments and improvements in mining, and it would be inadvisable to grant him a certificate.

Mr. Harris Wood agreed that it would be best to have a provision dealing with those who had for a long period been engaged in other pursuits. But there were men engaged in mine inspection who would be excluded by the Act.

The Minister said that he thought five years was too restricted. As the law stood it seemed that some qualified men could not get certificates.

Mr. Harris Wood said there were two other matters the deputation wished to place before the Minister. The Act seemed to provide for granting only one kind of certificate to engine-drivers. Thus any man who had been engaged in driving stationary engines would get the same kind of certificate as those who drove winding engines. The man who drove a stationary engine might be competent to drive a winding engine, but if inexperienced a case of sudden emergency might find him wanting, and some lives might be endangered. He thought it would be advisable to grant two kinds of certificates—one for those who had driven stationary engines, and one for those who had driven winding engines.

The other matter concerned colliery engine-drivers. Under the administration of the Act they understood that the man who had driven an engine at a coal mine was not held to be eligible for a certificate as engine-driver to a metalliferous mine. But driving an engine at a coal mine and at a metalliferous mine was practically the same thing.

The Minister said that when they passed an Act of Parliament dealing with any question they fully recognised that in the light of experience in working the Act it would be found that improvements could be made. He would be pleased to bring about the changes desired by the deputation so far as there was perfect safety in doing so. He would go carefully into the matter and let them know in the course of a day or two what he was prepared to do.

INQUESTS.

DEATH OF A YOUNG MAN.

The City Coroner, Mr. J. C. Woore, held an inquest at the Lloyd Hotel yesterday concerning the death of a young man named John Bingham, who was found in an unconscious state on the footpath in Sussex-street. Waverley, shortly after midnight on Saturday.

Samuel George Bingham said deceased was his brother. He was a single man, 26 years of age, and sometimes drank to excess. Witness last saw him alive when he was taken from his house to the hospital early on Sunday.

Dr. C. A. Edwards said he was called in to see deceased a little after 1 a.m. on the 24th instant. He found him insensible, with symptoms of concussion of the brain, and at once had him taken to St. Vincent's Hospital. Witness saw deceased's brother, who had a contusion over the eye. He told witness that they had been attacked by larrikins, who had afterwards run away.

Dr. D. Kelly, senior resident medical officer at St. Vincent's Hospital, said deceased was brought to that institution about 3 a.m. on the 24th. He was unconscious and remained so till he died about 6 a.m. on the same day. Two of his front teeth were loose, his lips were cut, and he was bleeding from the mouth and nose. A blow from a man's fist would be likely to cause the injuries. There was also a wound on the back of the head and there were symptoms of a fractured skull.

Dr. Sydney Jamieson deposed to having made a post-mortem examination of the body of deceased. It was that of a powerfully-built, healthy young man. There was a contusion on the right side of the upper lip, while on the back of the head there was a wound about 1in. in length and penetrating the whole of the scalp to the brain. There was also a large haematoma, or effusion extending forwards into the base of the skull. Over and between the membranes of the brain, which was considerably lacerated, there was a large quantity of blood. The stomach exhibited the usual symptoms found in those subject to alcohol. The cause of death was injuries to the brain consequent on a fracture of the skull. The wound on the head might have been caused by a fall on some projecting ledge or by a blow from a weapon.

At this stage the inquest was adjourned till 10 a.m. on Thursday.

DEATH OF A CARTER.

An inquest was held by the City Coroner (Mr. J. C. Woore) yesterday concerning the death of a carter named William Latter, aged 23, who died in the Sydney Hospital on Saturday night.

Evidence was given which showed that deceased on Friday afternoon was backing his lorry on a wharf. In doing this he pulled the horses forward, with the result that the pole of his lorry crushed him against another vehicle, inflicting injuries which resulted in his death.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

A MARTYR TO ITCHING PILES

FOR OVER TWENTY YEARS, AND PERFECTLY CURED BY TWO POTS OF DOAN'S OINTMENT.

Mr. M. J. Ryan, J.P., a well-known resident of Sydney and all over the State, writes the following unsolicited letter for the benefit of suffering humanity. He says:—"It gives me great pleasure to testify to the great worth of Doan's Ointment. I have been a martyr for over twenty years to the dreadful disease of Itching Piles, which very often nearly drove me mad. I may tell you that during all those years I never had one good night's rest. I tried scores of doctors, both in Sydney and in the country. I tried lotions and ointments, and I might as well have used water for all the good they did me. I am sending you this testimonial so that you may use it in the interest of my fellow-creatures, as I am sure there are hundreds of them suffering the same as I did. Now, I may state that two months ago I heard a gentleman telling another of his terrible sufferings, and how he got cured by Doan's Ointment. I at once purchased a pot, and I am proud to say that from that very night I have slept sound, and without being tortured, for the first time in twenty years. I continued the treatment, and before I had used two boxes I found myself entirely cured. This is two months ago, and I have had no return of my complaint since. I would willingly have paid £50 to any doctor if he had guaranteed to do what Doan's Ointment did for me. You may publish this statement in the Herald or any other paper, and should anyone wish to call on me I will be pleased to tell them of my cure in detail.

"I am, dear Sirs,
"Yours very truly,
"M. J. RYAN, J.P.,
"398 Riley-street.

"July 27th, 1901.

"To Foster-M'Clellan Co.,
"76 Pitt-street, Sydney."

It cannot be repeated too often that Doan's Ointment will cure Itching Piles. IT WILL CURE THEM ABSOLUTELY. But do not take the manufacturer's word for this—ask Mr. Ryan. He knows, for it cured him, and he lives here in Sydney. Is not that the best possible kind of proof? Could there be better?

Doan's Ointment is splendid in all skin diseases, eczema, sores, insect bites, chilblains, &c. It is perfectly safe and very effective. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers at 2s 9d per pot, or will be posted on receipt of the price by the proprietors, Foster-M'Clellan Co., 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

But be sure it is DOAN'S.—Advt.

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WOLFE'S SCHNAPPS.

COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, BRONCHITIS ASTHMA, and CONSUMPTION.
Beware of "Coughs!!"
Remember! that every Disease has its Commencement,
and Consumption is No Exception to this Rule.
KEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE.
The FAMOUS REMEDY for COUGHS, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, and CONSUMPTION, has the Largest Sale of Any Chest Medicine

Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. It is most comforting in allaying irritation in the throat, and giving strength to the voice, and it neither allows a cough or asthma to become chronic, nor consumption to develop. Consumption has never been known to exist where "Coughs" have been properly treated with this medicine. No house should be without it, as, taken at the beginning, a dose is generally sufficient, and a complete cure is certain.

Prepared only and sold wholesale and retail by the proprietor, W. G. HEARNE, Chemist, Geelong, Victoria.

Small size, 2s 6d; large, 4s 6d. Sold by chemists and medicine vendors. Forwarded by post to any address when not obtainable locally.

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Auction Sales.

INGLIS AND SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 a.m. sharp, Vans, Spring-carts, Horses and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipdrays, Horses and Harness.
And at 11.30 a.m.,
Horses and Vehicles of every description.
Specially advertised. Tel., 1351.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, AT 2.30 o'clock.

40 FIRST-CLASS HORSES 40
Principally
SPLENDID HEAVY DRAUGHTS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above.
On account Mr. WM. MURRAY, Morse:
15 Splendid Heavy Draught Horses, 5 and 6 years old, all thoroughly broken in, stanch and reliable workers, ready for immediate use.

On account Northern Agents:
10 spanking light horses, some broken to saddle and harness, the balance unbroken.

2 PONY SULKY TURNOUTS, &c.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Walsh to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Pony, 14 hands, B.S. Sulky (B.M.), with sliding seat, and B.M. Harness; Pony Stallion, 12 hands, a racer; also, Stylish Sulky and Harness; and Hooded Sulky.

4 HIGH-CLASS SULKIES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from a well-known suburban coachbuilder to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Varnished Straight-shaft Sulky, B.S. ditto, and 2-shaft ditto, with sliding seat, all with long-distance wheels, and Pair-shaft ditto pony sulky, trimmed with best material, and finished in the best and most modern style.

3 NEW SULKIES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Three first-class Sulkies, quite new, strongly made, well trimmed and finished in a workmanlike manner.

HIGH-CLASS DOGCART.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Moorcroft to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
A very superior Dogcart, brass mounted, light and stylish, quite new, and gained 2 first prizes at R. A. Show, Sydney.

SULKY TURNOUT and HARNESS MARE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. F. Plambeck to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Grey Horse, Mare, 12.2, very fast and stylish, Sulky, and Harness, in good order; also Brown Mare, 14.2, stand any fair trial.

SUPERIOR VICTORIA TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mrs. Maryland to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Chestnut Gelding, broken to harness, with good manners, very quiet, and stylish mover, English Victoria, and 16 M. Harness.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR.
THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 12 o'clock.

5 FIRST-CLASS TROTTING HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. Beckett to sell by auction as above,
HILDA, bay mare, 6 years, winner of 3 trots and 3 races when last trotted (2.30); bay mare by Monarch—bay Gelding, 6 years, by Burlington B.; bay Mare by The Globe.
*** THE ABOVE ARE ALL THOROUGHLY BROKEN TO SADDLE AND HARNESS AND ARE VERY FAST.

On account Mr. W. ALDRID:
Bay Pony MARE, very fast in saddle and harness (bred by Mr. J. A. Buckland); sup. Sulky and Harness.

HIGH-CLASS HARNESS GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Frank Hill to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, Tuesday, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding, 6 yrs., about 16 hands, thoroughly quiet in harness, good gaits, and a free mover; also a good dogcart or match horse; suit a medical or private gentleman.

3 S. AND H. MARES, FROM COONAMBLE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
3 fresh country Mares, all thoroughly broken to saddle and harness.

UPSTANDING HARNESS GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Messrs. F. Medlicott and Co., to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Gelding, 5 yrs., 16 hands, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, suit a delivery van, to be sold Without Reserve.

S. AND H. MARE,

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. T. Campbell to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
A good useful Cob Mare, thoroughly quiet and reliable in saddle and harness, suit a private gentleman or business man.

HEAVY DR. MARE AND HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Heavy Draught Roan Mare, thoroughly stanch, any lady could drive; also first-class set of Dray Harness.

RELIABLE HARNESS GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. Taylor to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding, 15.2, quiet and reliable in harness, would make a useful, safe, and sociable or cab, to be sold to the highest bidder.

HEAVY DRAUGHT GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and CO. have received instructions from Mr. Yee Sang Shing to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Heavy Draught Bay Gelding, thoroughly stanch, stand any trial, suit a dray or lorry.

CLEARING OUT SALE.

On the premises, 116 and 118 Morehead-street, Redfern (at the rear of Jackson's boot factory),
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON,
at 2.30 o'clock,
comprising
Horses, Ponies, Phaetons, Sulkies, Sp. Carts, Tip Carts, Sp. Van, Harness, Saddles and Bridles, &c., &c., also lease of premises.

WILLIAM INGLIS AND SON have received instructions from Mr. R. Bedford to sell by auction as above,
Grey Pony, thoroughly quiet, been used on Tram stage, Saddle and harness, Grey Gelding, Saddle Horse, Chestnut Pony (Cliff's brand), Sulky and Harness, Brown Pony (Cliff). Brown Mare, Sulky, and Harness, stanch Draught Horse, Tip-cart, and Harness, Bay Mare, highly recommended, square Van and Harness, Tip-cart, nearly new, 1 old Corporation Cart, Lady's Side Saddle, Gent's ditto, Exercise ditto, 5 sets of Shaft Harness, 1 set Van Harness, 1 set Van Harness, also several Carts and Sulkies made to order, spare Harness, Saddles, &c., &c.,
also
Lease of Premises, 7 years (less 1 month) to run.
AS MR. BEDFORD IS LEAVING THE PREMISES THE ABOVE ARE FOR ABSOLUTE SALE.

STORE PIGS. STORE PIGS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell at the Corporation Sale Yards, THIS DAY, at the usual hour, on account of Mr. CHARLES KERCHER,
100 good quality Store Pigs, ex rail from Goulburn.

POSITIVE CLEARING SALE OF HIGH-CLASS VEHICLES.

OSBORNE and CO., Sussex-street, will sell, by auction at 23 High-street, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock,
30 High-class Vehicles, consisting of Phaetons, Victorias, Pony Phaetons, Sociables, Buggies, 4-wheeled Dogcarts, Dogcarts, Carryalls, and Sulkies.
26 Sets Harness.
For positive sale owing to lease of premises having expired.
INSPECTION INVITED.

OSBORNE and CO., Sussex-st., hold their Trotter and Blood Stock Sale, Christy's Bazaar, Wednesday.

THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.
On the Premises, 196 Goulburn-street.

J. L. LEE will sell by public auction, under instructions from E. Inoyre, his small stock of FURNITURE, &c., Bedroom Suites, Sideboards, Drawing-room Suite, Haircloth Suite, Bench, Stools, and lot of Sundries. Every line must be sold, as the owner is leaving the State.

MITCHELL and CRANSTON will sell THIS DAY, at 10.30, at 23 Harwood-street, Pyrmont, Household FURNITURE and EFFECTS, Bedsteads, Austrian Chairs, Couches, Glassware, Cutlery, &c.

Auction Sales.

DULWICH HILL.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.
THIS DAY, TUESDAY,
26th AUGUST, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

At the Residence,
ELLERSLIE, HASTINGS-

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Monday Evening.

Business in the Stock and Share market to-day opened with a steady list. The number of transactions was much about an usual. New South Wales 3 per cent. Funded Stock was again sold at 93, and 4 per cents. interminable at 105½—a rise of ½. Treasury bills were offered at 100. Some alterations appear in the list of bank share quotations, but there is practically little or no difference in real values, no business transpiring. Australian Joint Stock Bank A deposits brought 12s, B's being inquired for at 12s 1½d. Other deposits were unaltered. For Newcastle Steam 12s.—the last price—was paid, alterations in other steam having no significance. Australian Gaslight ended ½. Breweries were steady. Aarons' Exchange Hotel recovered 3d, Sydney Hydraulic again sold at 18s 3d, and Emu Gravel had buyer at 7s 8d—a rise of 2d.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day the following sales were reported :—Noon : A.J.S. Bank A deposits, 12s. Later : Sydney Hydraulic, 10s paid, 18s 3d ; Australian Gaslight, 16½ ; Aarons' Exchange Hotel, 3s. Later : Newcastle and Hunter River Steam, 18s ; New South Wales 3 per cent. Funded Stock, 93 ; New South Wales 4 per cent. interminable stock, 105½. The closing quotations were :—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per cent. declared.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Price bid to-day.
	£	£	£	p.c.				p.c
† STOCKS &c.								
N.S.W. F. S., 1892, ex 18...	569,950	...	...	4	105½	105	105½	93
Do. Act., 1873	530,189	...	...	4	103½	104	106	93
Do., 1902	...	...	...	3½	93	94	95	93
Do., 1902	...	...	...	3½	99½	99½	100	93
Do., 1903	300,280	...	...	...	...	101	102	104
Do. 4th, 1908	1,000,000	20	12½	10	271	272	274	93
Do., F.S.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do., 1904-26	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
Do., T. Bills, 1903	1,000,000	...	...	3½	100	99½	100	93
Queen'sland T.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Deb., 1902	800,800	...	...	5	104½	...	...	93
Q.D., 1913	...	...	...	5	101	...	...	93
S.D., 1913	...	...	...	3½	...	...	...	...
W.T.D., 1918	300,000	...	...	4	103	...	...	93
Ditto, 1914	...	...	...	4	102	...	...	93
Q. Inscribed D., 1914—	...	...	...	5	111	107½	...	93
City of Sydney deb.	...	...	...	4	103½	102	...	93
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,168,941	10	7½	...	...	...	...	...
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	10	...	92	93	93
City	240,000	10	8	4	90	...	83	93
New Items	160,000	10	8	4	77	...	80	93
Commercial of Australia	2,117,070	10	10	3	95	93	92	93
Comm. of N. of Aus.	1,192,440	8	5	3½	56	48	55	93
Do. pref.	1,000,000	20	12½	10	271	272	274	93
Do. Deb., 1908	1,000,000	20	10	10	411	412	413	93
E. Aust.	2,000,000	40	20	10	60	60	60	93
N. Zealand	427,319	61	34	5	62	...	...	93
N. Zealand	100,000	5	5	5	102	...	...	93
Bank of Q.	451,276	5	5	6½	93	...	...	93
Union	1,500,000	75	75	8	99½	...	80½	93
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk.—								
Class A	...	...	...	3	12/	12/	12/1	93
Class B	...	...	...	3	12/1	12/	12/3	93
Ditto Inscribed	788,039	...	...	3½	8 6	5 6	10	93
Com. of Aus.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A ser., 1896	985,482	...	...	3½	19/6	18/	...	93
B ser., 1897	3,400,000	...	...	3½	12 6	12/	13 6	93
E.S.A. Inscribed	889,418	...	...	3	12	11 9	12 3	93
Ditto def.	890,998	...	...	4½	16 9	16 6	...	93
Ditto Deb.	983,547	...	...	4½	17 3	16/2	...	93
Ditto Tr.	97,600	...	...	3½	18 9	...	...	93
G. Nationals	...	...	...	3½	11 6	...	11 9	93
STEAM.								
Balmain, N. Ferry, xd	14,490	1	1	10	33 6	32/	34/	93
Illawarra	50,000	5	3½	8	...	...	...	93
Manly	100,000	5	5	8	18/	17 6	18/	93
Mort Cost	131,250	1	17 6	8	25/	...	25/	93
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	7	53/	52/	...	93
Ditto, new	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ditto	25,000	50	25	5	21/	...	...	93
Ditto, Co-op.	9,743	...	...	1	2/	1/7	...	93
New South Wales Tramway	...	...	20/	10	...	...	...	93
Ditto red.	...	...	5	10	...	...	...	93
Ditto Pref.	...	...	25	5	...	...	...	93
Ditto Def.	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	93
INSURANCE.								
A.A. Co.	80,000	100	15	15	...	...	...	93
Mer. Mutual	30,000	1	6	15	12/1	12/	...	93
N. Zealand	200,000	10	2	15	...	...	...	93
N. Zealand Loan	50,000	10	5	8	...	...	...	93
Ditto	3,562	...	5	8	...	...	...	93
United	62,500	10	21	10	27 6	7/	7/1	93
Ditto new	5,725	10	12 6	10	7/	...	...	93
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12 6	10	18/	...	...	93
Australasian	681,798	6	6	...	10½	10½	10½	93
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	1	14 6	14/	15/	93
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	10	20/	...	...	93
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	23 6	...	...	93
Manly	10,000	1	1	7	22 6	22/	...	93
Metropolitan	50,000	10	10	10	27/	...	...	93
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	18/	...	...	93
Newcastle	95,138	5	5	15	5/	5/	...	93
Ditto, Def.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North Shore	100,000	1	1	7	31 6	30 6	...	93
Ditto New	...	...	...	7	18/	...	...	93
Railway Gas	15,500	5	5	6	...	6	...	93
BREWERIES.								
Albury	10,500	1	10	5	...	...	...	93
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	93
Australian	48,000	10	10	...	4/	3 6	4/	93
Fremantle, Newcastle, Bros.	250,000	1	1	4	3½	3	...	93
Marshall's	29,701	10	5	8	3 6	3 9	...	93
Tooth's	400,000	1	1	10	37 6	...	38/	93
Tooth's	500,000	1	1	10	39 6	39/	39 3	93
Toohey's	550,000	1	1	10	20 6	20/	21/	93
MISCELLS.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10	5	3	2/10	3/2	93
Aus. Provs.	40,000	1	1	10	10 6	10	10½	93
B. H. Water Supply	186,500	1	1	10	30/2	...	...	93
Bower, Philp	273,000	1	1	5	31/	31 6	33/	93
Coal Vein	...	...	...	10	3/	...	...	93
Od. Smyrna	1,973,300	20	20	10	38	37½	38	93
Palmer & Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	99	98	99	93
Permanent	...	...	...	10	...	13 6	18/	93
Sam B. Hall	100,000	...	1	1	7/	...	...	93
Sam Gravel	24,000	...	1	1	7	7/8	9	93
Sydney Gravel	...	...	...	1	13/	...	...	93
Syd. Trauma	80,000	1	10	10	21 6	...	...	93
W. de Pass	74,144	1	1	8	17/	30 6	31/	93
Wunderlich	150,000	1	1	10	17/	...	...	93
Ditto Pref.	45,301	1	1	6	20/	...	...	93
Z. Prod. Inc.	168,114	1	18	...	4/8	4/3	4/11	93
Rails and Ord.	75,000	1	15	...	1/1	...	...	93
New York and B. Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	23	22/3	23/	93
Perp. Trust	25,000	1	2 6	6	2	1/11	2	93
Perp. Trus.	25,000	10	5	8	8 6	8/3	8 6	93
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	12 6	12/	13/	93
Sil. Trust	197,800	1	1	10	36 7	...	...	93
Syd. Tech.	50,000	10	10	6	17 12	...	...	93
Syd. Syd.	75,000	1	1	10	37/	35 6	37/	93
Tattersall's	87,500	1	10/	10	18 3	...	18 9	93
Tat. Land Ord.	...	...	...	...	1/3	...	1/6	93
LAND & BD.								
A. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	6d	...	...	93
Rash. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	1/	...	...	93
Bernard. D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93
Do shares	...	...	...	...	1/	...	...	93
Ind. Prov.	60,000	20	20	8	29	20/	30/	93
Inscrib. Inv.	53,956	1	15	7	14 6	...	14 9	93
Sy. Pro. Land	...	...	...	...	3/9	...	...	93
Syd. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	8/	7/	9/	93
Sub-urban Land & Estate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93
Metropolitan Debentures	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	93

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution ; otherwise it is on last half-yearly rate.

The main features of the banking averages of the second quarter of the year in the various States are shown as follows in a return published in this month's issue of the "Australasian Insurance and Banking Record," in comparison with those for the previous quarter and the corresponding quarter of 1901 :—

JUNE, 1902.

Colony.	Deposits.	Notes in Circulation.	Coin and Bullion.	Advances.	Percentage of Assets to Liabilities.
	£	£	£	£	p.c.
N.S.W.	33,350,086	1,650,640	7,091,540	39,797,980	19·9
Victoria	29,506,618	915,426	6,710,888	30,440,032	25·6
S. Aust.	5,809,701	382,767	1,615,986	4,434,031	25·6
W. Aust.	5,868,364	164,798	1,581,701	5,397,294	19·3
Q'land.	13,662,970	...	2,765,292	13,687,376	16·4
N. Z'land	17,191,300	1,408,486	3,160,711	15,384,377	18·0
W. Aus.	4,747,579	391,886	2,856,806	3,726,439	59·3
Totals	109,555,848	4,708,571	24,385,929	109,469,475	21·2

MARCH, 1902.

	£	£	£	£	p.c.
N.S.W.	32,821,200	1,498,084	6,614,981	39,194,344	20·4
Victoria	30,578,366	983,792	6,992,388	30,565,744	26·3
S. Aus.	5,868,364	415,324	1,630,021	4,540,494	25·4
W. Aus.	5,319,605	147,967	571,981	4,944,854	16·4
Q'land.	13,806,036	...	2,909,158	13,701,186	14·6
N. Z'land.	16,866,984	1,393,106	3,119,548	15,308,841	17·1
T'mania.	4,639,302	392,801	2,810,508	3,264,654	45·0
Totals	109,628,488	4,894,920	23,438,003	109,780,708	20·3

JUNE, 1901.

	£	£	£	£	p.c.
N.S.W.	32,421,648	1,498,084	6,614,981	39,194,344	20·4
Victoria	30,053,921	977,883	6,824,229	30,958,948	26·9
S. Aust.	5,947,374	409,738	1,657,972	4,382,739	26·4
W. Aust.	5,178,846	151,240	577,388	2,539,442	17·2
Q'land	13,398,089	...	2,916,094	13,568,598	14·7
N. Z'd.	16,391,291	1,416,497	3,006,197	14,854,308	18·3
T'mania.	4,402,819	382,947	2,388,716	3,117,818	46·7
Totals	105,793,778	4,915,899	23,786,060	108,564,974	20·4

All the States, except Victoria, show an increase in deposits for the quarter and the year, and as there was a tolerably general decrease in advances a considerable addition was made to the reserves of coin and bullion, amounting in the aggregate for the year to £1,449,249, and raising the proportion to liabilities from 20·4 per cent., or 4s 1d in the £, to 21·2, or 4s 3d in the £. This is a sign of comparative stagnation otherwise indicated in the reduction of the note circulation by £107,328. The declining tendencies noticed in the amount of fixed deposits for now some years after 1893 has been arrested, and in the last two years there has been an increase both in the proportion and in the amount, as will be seen as follows, the figures being for all the States and New Zealand, except Tasmania, which does not give the returns separately :—

	Fixed Deposits.	Current Accounts.	Proportion of Current Accounts.
	£	£	Per cent.
April-June, 1892	80,068,281	37,551,921	22·3
April-June, 1893	79,871,470	36,155,291	24·6
April-June, 1894	71,906,742	28,426,810	28·3
April-June, 1895	65,823,920	29,413,279	30·9
April-June, 1896	62,289,547	24,627,252	28·7
April-June, 1897	59,189,139	27,208,023	29·5
April-June, 1898	56,982,253	28,744,123	29·4
April-June, 1899	56,343,192	28,102,675	29·1
April-June, 1900	57,472,934	43,627,407	43·1
April-June, 1901	59,319,260	43,295,853	42·1
April-June, 1902	64,080,014	44,002,848	40·7

The fixed deposits in the last quarter amount to 59·3 per cent. of the whole, as compared with 57·9 per cent. last year, and 56·9 per cent. the year before.

The shipment of gold to San Francisco has been resumed after a cessation since November last, the Ventura taking £100,000 shipped by the Union Bank of Australia. Our British and American files have indicated that gold might be taken by the United States about this time of the year in payment for its produce, now going to Europe, and to meet the requirements of an active home trade. And from Europe we gather that gold might be needed there in larger amounts from the present time on to the end of the year. Although the Bank of France held immense reserves of gold, amounting to £102,500,000, the national conversion scheme and impending large loans would, it was supposed, cause withdrawals of gold on French account from London. Therefore it may be supposed that Australia would be drawn upon in the most convenient way to meet the cross demands, and by exchange supply the United States' requirements through San Francisco. At the same time it is noteworthy that only £100,000 is now being shipped to San Francisco, so that the demand cannot yet be said to have attained any considerable dimensions. For the corresponding period last year gold to the value of £900,000 had been shipped to that port from Sydney. The bank averages for the June quarter quoted above show that our monetary institutions had larger reserves than at the corresponding period of last year from which to meet the foreign demand. The yield of gold so far this year in Australasia is the yield of three-quarters of a million sterling in excess of the amount to the like time in 1901 ; the exports to date are about £1,000,000 less than last year. Thus the States are in a better position to meet any extraneous demand.

The New Zealand Government Fire Insurance Company Bill, as we learn by cable, has again been abandoned for the session, because its financial provisions are on an unsound basis. There are very good reasons on every ground for its rejection. It represents an undue interference with private enterprise. Its effect would be to withdraw from the State capital which now serves the people at rates which are far from profitable. Everyone who has considered the operation of Government undertakings has seen results much less satisfactory than those which attend private enterprise. We have shown that every year the Australian Mutual Provident Society's New Zealand business is better and more economically managed than that of the New Zealand Government Insurance Department, and that that is only what is to be expected from every competition of private undertakings with those of the State. The State fire insurance project is attended with far greater difficulties, otherwise there is no doubt it would long ago have been in operation. The "Government stroke" is inevitable in all enterprise which has not individual control and interest ; and appointments and positions of all kinds are much less subject to merit under a State government than in private employ. The service itself is badly performed, with serious detriment to the employees and unsatisfactory results to the general public.

According to the Board of Trade figures the respective positions in the shipping trade, including, of course, both colliers and vessels carrying general cargo also, occupied by our principal ports, as determined by the tonnage entered and cleared during 1901, are shown to be as under :—

	Tons.
1. London	17,235,648
2. Cardiff	12,747,075
3. Liverpool	12,172,635
4. Tyne ports	8,471,810
5. Hull	4,425,876
6. Glasgow	3,925,990
7. Southampton	3,092,721
8. Newport	2,343,721
9. Blyth	2,239,393
10. Swansea	2,263,538
11. Sunderland	2,280,208
12. Leith	1,943,734

As regards tonnage, owing to the large coal trade Cardiff has displaced Liverpool for the second position, though of course if values were the test the Lancashire port would still occupy the place.

BREADSTUFFS.

As might naturally have been expected the rains in the country caused the wheat market to pause somewhat. For the time being no transactions of importance were carried through, the price, however, being still nominally quoted at 5s in the city. The future of the market largely depends on how far the rains were insufficient in special districts, and to what extent squatters will be able to discontinue hand-feeding their stock. Even if stock feeding entirely ceased, however, it is doubtful whether the milling situation would not be strong enough to fairly maintain prices till next harvest, for supplies are not heavy in any of the States. Offals have already weakened somewhat. Flour ruled firm at £9 15s to £10 per ton for to-al, and £12 10s to £12 15s for Manitoba.

Saturday's cable from London stated that bad weather in Europe was strengthening the Continental wheat markets. When last mail left the reports were for the most part favourable. The present, however, is the critical period as harvesting time is at hand. Although the Australian markets are at present nearer to an importing than an exporting level, the recent rains may once more place this country in the rank of exporters early next year. Should this prove so the present crop prospects in Europe are of considerable interest, for it is they that will largely influence the rates to be obtained at Mark Lane. About the middle of July it was considered that in France above an average crop would be secured. The average is set down at 43,000,000 quarters, whereas last season only 38,000,000 quarters were harvested. With these prospects the Paris and Provincial markets in France showed weakness. In Hungary 20,000,000 quarters were looked for, against 15,750,000 quarters last year. Russian exports were larger this year than for several years past. In England the prospects were reported as excellent, "Beerbohm" stating that the weather left nothing to be desired." In the middle of August harvesting operations were expected to be in full swing. Thes turning to the United States a larger spring wheat crop than last year was looked for of a smaller acreage, while the winter wheat crop was placed at 430,000,000 bushels, against 435,000,000 bushels last year. Our own cables have already referred to the "bumper" crops being harvested in Manitoba.

The Collector of Customs reports that for the week ended August 23 the imports of wheat at the port of Sydney totalled 37,770 bushels and the exports 9064 bushels. The imports of flour aggregated 587 tons and the exports 522 tons.

IMPORT MARKET.

Quietness ruled to-day in nearly all departments as between merchants. In a distributing way there was a fair turnover, especially in edibles, for next month's account. Cables advised firmness in the Colombo tea market, the percentage of advance in the cost of fine teas being very marked. From Calcutta a slight recovery was cabled in the cornsack market. Locally branbags further advanced, business being done for export, and stocks have now been considerably reduced. For forward delivery considerably below spot prices were accepted. Other lines show no material change.

Tea.—Private cables have been received from Colombo confirming the advance recently advised in this market and giving further details. It would appear that low medium pekoes and common broken were risen from 10 per cent. to 28 per cent. on fine broken orange pekoes. Locally 65 chests of Ceylon pekoes sold at 6½d, and 80 chests of broken pekoes at 10d to 11½d per lb.

Closing quotations were :—

CEYLONS.

Pekoe Souchong, common to good common	5½d to 6d
Ditto, medium to fine	6d to 7d
Common Pekoe	6d to 7d
Pekoe, ordinary to medium	7½d to 7½d
Ditto, good medium to fine	8d to 9d
Orange Pekoe	9d to 11d
Br. Pekoe, common	8½d to 7½d
Medium to good medium	7½d to 8½d
Fine to finest	9½d to 11d
Extra finest	11s to 1s 2d

INDIANS.

Br. Pek. Souch. Pannings	5½d to 6½d
Pekoe Souchong, fair to good	5½d to 6½d
Fine ditto	6d to 8d
Pekoe, medium to good med.	7d to 8d
Pekoe, fine to finest	8½d to 9½d
Darjeeling Pekoe, medium to good medium	6d to 8d
Ditto, fine to finest	9½d to 1s

CHINA (NEW SEASON'S).

Congou, common o.w.	5½d to 6½d
Ditto, good common	6d to 6½d
Panyong, good med. to fine	7½d to 8d
Finest up to	11d
Panyong Buds common	nominal.
Ditto, medium	nominal.
Ditto, finest	nominal.
S.O. Pekoe, common	nominal.
Ditto, medium	nominal.
Ditto, fine	nominal.
Ditto, finest	1s 1d to 1s 4d

Messrs. Cyril Trower and Co. will offer at auction to-morrow (Tuesday) 423 packages of Ceylon teas ex Ville de la Ciotat and Yawata Maru, and 60 Indians ex Hindu on account of Messrs. Gerber, Michaut, and Co. and Morgan and Co.

Sugar.—Steady business was done on the basis of the company's prices.

Groceries.—Firmness prevailed in the market for canned meats. Tinned fish sold readily at late market rates, a good inquiry being experienced from the country.

Dried Fruits.—Currants sold at 4½d to 4¾d ; sultanas, 6d to 6½d ; sultanas, 8d ; and dates, 3d to 3½d to arrive and spot.

Eastern Produce.—Japan rice was cabled firm at £14 15s c.i.f. and e. Tan tons of Rangoon rice sold at £8 10s, and three tons of English split peas at £15 15s per ton.

Latest advices point to the Brazil coffee crop being the largest on record. The new crop year opens with a world's visible supply of about 11,300,000 bags, which is 4,600,000 bags larger than at the same time last year. These heavy supplies carried at considerable expense are considered to foreshadow further declines ingprices.

Speaking of the world's linseed crop in 1902, Dornbusch says that although the yield from India proved better than indicated early in the season and was again rather larger than in the preceding year, it still fell short of the average. Argentina produced its record crop, and the exports last year increased 160,000 tons on those of 1900. No figures have yet been published regarding the Russian outturn, but, judging from the poor shipment total of 55,377 tons, it may safely be assumed that the crop did not exceed 100,000 tons, or only 25 per cent. of the previous year. The United States of America, like the River Plate, had its banner crop and produced 650,000 tons, or 175,000 tons larger than 1900, which then stood its highest. Shipments to Europe, however, were not in proportion, as the 73,000 tons exported were not only 45,000 tons short of the quantity in 1897, but a moiety even then had to be bought back. Every season this has been the case, and North America always proves more than it can spare for European requirements, and cancelling contracts or buying back invariably follows. Directing attention to the United Kingdom imports, it is found that the needs of Great Britain show a falling-off, and for last year went below the average by 57,000 tons. British mills used about the same quantity of Indian seed as in 1900 and took up more of La Plata. India has left for shipment but little more than half the quantity at this date last season, and, with Russia about in the same poor position as export as a year ago, it looks as if the "visible supply" for the next few months must diminish. Prospects of shipments in the late autumn are favourable as regards America. The Argentine also promises to be a free shipper again this season, but December is the earliest that a republic can move its crop to the market, and even then only under the most favourable crop conditions. Summarising the foregoing, it would appear that the sources of supply will be restricted for the rest of the calendar year, while from now onward the market may be subject to the customary budget of crop scares.

Liquors.—Only small sales were reported, none of the standard lines having changed in price.

Metals.—The demand was slow, black fencing wire at £8 2s 6d and £8 10s for No. 8 and 10, barbed at £14 5s £14 15s, tinplates 10s, wire nails 12½ per cent. to 15 per cent. off list, galvanised wire £17 10s to £18 for second brands and £18 5s for Orb. Cement sold at 12s to 12s 6d.

Fats Goods.—Private cables from Calcutta announce a recovery of about 1d in the cornsack market there. On spot 25 bales moved off at 4s 11d. Branbags ruled firmer in response to the continued export inquiry. Several 10 and 15 bale lots moved off at 4s 7½d and 6s 8d, the market closing at the last-named figure. Woolsacks were dull at 1s 7d and 1s 9d for 111lb. and 121b. loose ends.

Oils.—Snowflake kerosene remained at 8½d, Rising Sun bulk 5½d, tins 6½d, and cases 7½d per gallon. Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s raw and boiled linseed went at 4s 1d and 4s 3d respectively. Castor was slow to move, and somewhat irregular. Turpentine remained at 3s 1½d, with the usual rebate. China had practically no inquiry, and white lead was dull.

Chemicals.—Eleven tons of caustic soda moved off at £12 5s f.o.b.. There were sales of 35 per cent. cream of tartar at 8½d.

Messrs. S. H. Harris and Co. will offer at auction to-morrow (Tuesday) a quantity of currants, woolpacks, and other goods, particulars of which are advertised elsewhere.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £15,571. The principal items were :—Spirituous and malt liquors, £3039 ; agricultural products and groceries, £1049 ; apparel and textiles, £4351 ; metals and machinery, £1654 ; oils, paints, and varnishes, £118 ; earthenware, cement, &c., £369 ; drugs and chemicals, £13 ; wood, wicker, and cane, £227 ; jewellery and fancy goods, £288 ; leather and rubber, £138 ; paper and stationery, £40 ; vehicles, £6 ; musical instruments, &c., £2 ; miscellaneous, £197 ; harbour and light dues, £73 ; pilotage, £75 ; harbour dues, £19 ; excise on spirits, £996 ; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1015 ; excise on beer, £41 ; excise on sugar, £2406.

EXPORT MARKET.

Tin Production and Consumption.—According to the "Engineering and Mining Journal" the world's production of tin in 1901 was 89,878 long tons, against 80,311 tons in 1900, and 73,586 tons in 1899. The chief figures follow :—

Straits to Europe and United States	1900. Tons.	1900. Tons.	1901. Tons.
Straits to India and China	44,501 1,480	46,058 1,980	50,382 2,650
Totals, Straits	45,981	47,898	53,032
Australian shipments	3,870	2,023	3,278
Banka, Billiton, and Singapore	14,385	18,013	19,400
Bolivian exports	5,000	5,000	5,000
English production	4,500	4,500	4,500
Total production	73,886	80,311	89,878
Estimated deliveries	80,900	79,500	87,700
Surplus	7,014	811	2,178
Estimated stocks	21,577	21,500	23,620

* Deficit.

In addition to the production given above, there is a small quantity of tin ore found in Germany, and a little in Mexico. In China there is a considerable output the amount of which cannot be estimated with any degree of accuracy. Although it is not a producer the United States is the largest consumer of tin. In 1901 that country imported no less than 33,280 tons, or 37 per cent. of the world's production. Most of the was Straits' tin, a considerable portion of which was imported via British ports. Great Britain is the second largest consumer of tin, and Germany the third. Holland, while it does a large trade in tin, consumes only a small quantity, most of the metal received from the East at Dutch ports being sold and re-exported.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day 244 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

Butter Statistics.—The Collector of Customs gives the imports of butter at the port of Sydney during the week ended August 23 as 122,976lb., and the exports as 19,506lb.

London Frozen Meat Market.—Messrs. J. Barre Johnston and Co. report the receipt of the following cables from Messrs. W. Weddel and Co. :—"Sydney Mutton : Market is unchanged, that is, 3½d per lb., with a steady tone ruling."

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

Wheat was again offering at 4s 9d to-day without finding buyers. Sales were impossible. Flour changed hands at £9 10s, but leading brands could still be had in some quarters at £9 5s. Chaff is firm at £7 to £7 2s 6d f.o.b.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Victorian 3 per cents stock sold at £99 10s ; Metropolitan Board of Works 3 per cents (1908), £101 10s, and 3½ per cents, £99 ; Commercial Bank ordinary shares, 4s 6d, and pref. 90s ; National Bank ordinary, £4 ; English, Scottish, and Australian Bank Deferred Inscribed Stock, 10s 6d, and debentures 16s 9d ; Union Trustees, 14s 3d ; Melbourne Trust, 17s 6d ; Silvertown Tram, 5½ ; Kaun Timber, 1s 7d ; Outram Howitt Coal, 9s 4d.

Wheat has unsettled at 4s 7½d to 4s 8d, but as the closethere are signs of better inquiry. Bran is 4s 7d ; pollard, 4s 11d. Good heavy Algerian oats, 3s 4d to 3s 5d ; maize, weaker, up to 5s 6d ; chaff, weak, £6 15s to £7 (sellers ask £7 5s for choice wheaten straw). Chaff sold at £4. Prime red soil potatoes are firm at £5 5s to £5 10s. Pink Eye, £6 ; onions, quiet, £7. Business in tea covers 500 packages at 7d to 8d ; 100 chests of Indian up to 8d ; 150 half-chests of China up to 7d. Fifty cases of Smith's fresh herrings sold at 5s ; ling, on spot, 5½d ; American cod, 4½d. Good bipeinesa was done in tartaric acid up to 1s. 200 barrels of g. rosin sold. Branbags are scarce, and are quoted at 4s 11d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

BELLINGER HEADS, Monday.

The steamer Eureka crossed out yesterday with 20 bags maize, 11 pigs, 2 coops poultry, 1 case eggs, 1 bundle skins, 6500ft. pine boards, 20 pieces beech, and sundries, for Port Macquarie and Nambucca River, transhipping for Sydney.

LAUNCESTON, Monday.

The steamer Norkowna left Devonport this afternoon for Sydney. Cargo : 9555 bags chaff, 1711 bags oats, 825 bags potatoes, 248 bags peas, 3 bags linseed, 1668 bales straw, and 646 bales hay.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Monday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets were rather dull in tone in all departments to-day. The wet weather had a depressing influence on speculation for the time being, while the near approach of the end of the month also reduced the turnover in no small degree. Business generally was on a restricted scale, buyers being content to operate on the immediate requirement basis. Supplies under offer were fairly plentiful, while movements in prices were numerous and mostly in buyer's favour. Butter, eggs, maize, barley, wheat, bran, pollard, chaff, inter-state straw all ruled cheaper, the only rise of note being an advance in potatoes. The market for maize was weaker, prices quoted being irregular and sales rather slow. The majority of sellers quoted 6s for choicest samples. Chickwheat receded in value a trifle, while other grain lines underwent no quotable change. Both bran and

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